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CITY OF FRANKLIN
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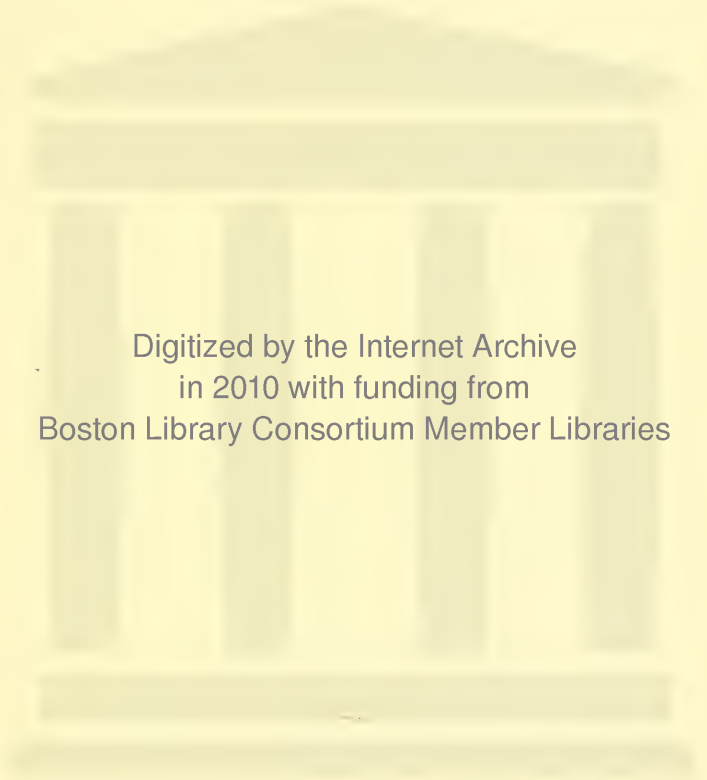
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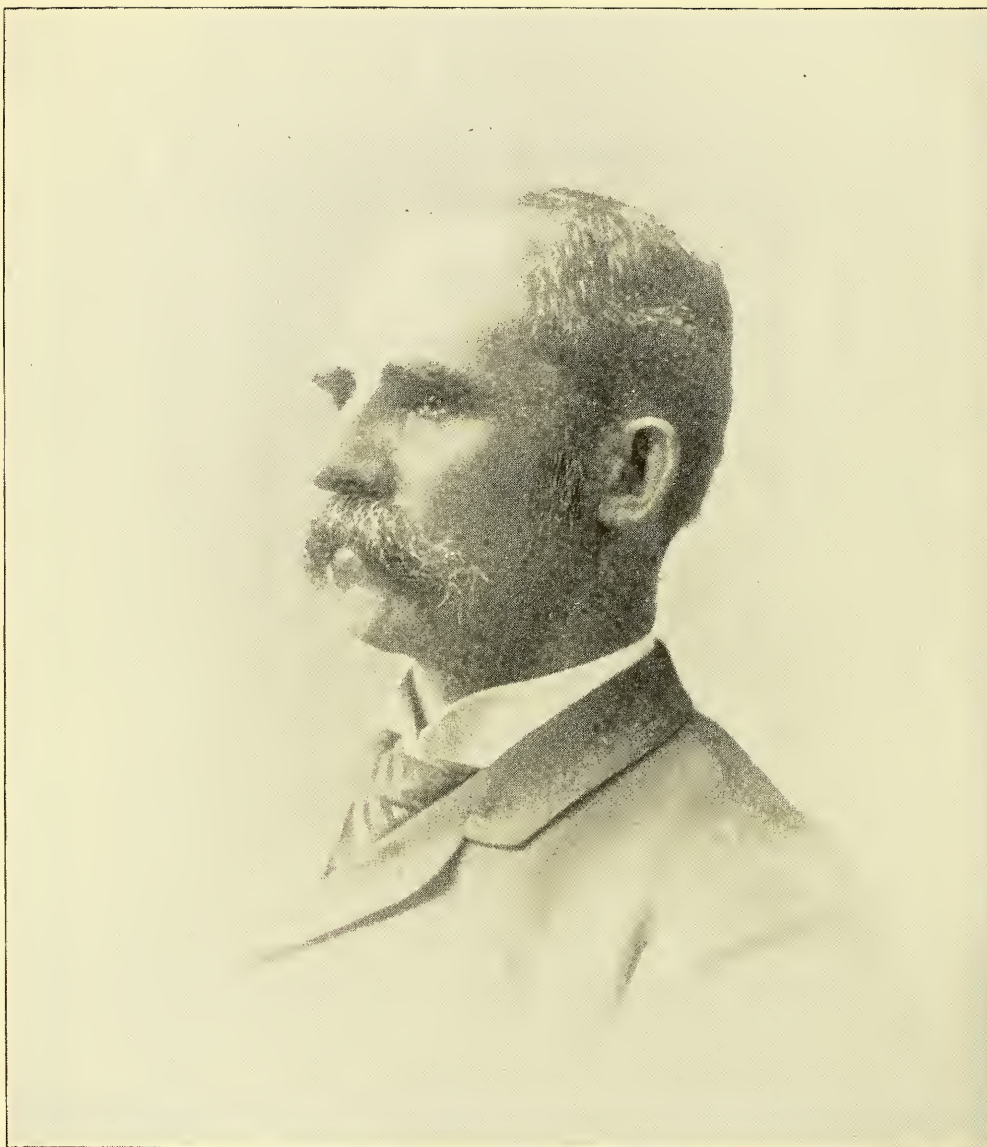
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MAYOR EDWARD H. STURTEVANT.

ORGANIZATION

OF THE

CITY GOVERNMENT, JANUARY 6, 1896.

The mayor and council met at Memorial Hall at 2 o'clock in the afternoon on the first Monday of January, 1896.

The meeting was called to order by mayor Parsons, who, after prayer by the Rev. L. W. Phillips, spoke as follows :

VALEDICTORY OF MAYOR PARSONS.

Gentlemen :

A year ago we met for the initiation of an experiment in municipal government in New Hampshire. We began the city government of not only the youngest, but the smallest city in the state. We have tried the experiment for a year only, and it is, perhaps, too early yet to settle conclusively the wisdom or otherwise of the change we made.

Although the adoption of the city charter had been strenuously opposed by many, I was pleased to be able to speak to you then of the many assurances received from the opponents of the charter, that, as the new form of government was an established fact, they, although opposed to it in principle, intended no factious hindrance, but meant to give hearty support and aid ; and I am

equally pleased to be able to say to you today that all such assurances have been faithfully and honorably redeemed. In no quarter, to my knowledge, has there been effort by anyone to obstruct the successful inauguration and establishment of our city.

The general business has gone on about as in the past; with a regular meeting once a month, and a few extra meetings, all the business of the city has been transacted by the council. No elaborate scheme of municipal legislation has been adopted. It was thought wiser to take matters as they came, and wait for larger experience before adopting any extensive scheme of general legislation. Our situation and circumstances differ so much from places of 10,000 to 15,000 population that any attempt to follow in their footsteps would probably result in the construction of machinery too complicated and cumbrous for our needs.

The police department has been reorganized by the election of a city marshal, whom it was thought best should be the responsible head of the whole department. Accordingly the regular and special officers have been appointed only upon the city marshal's recommendation, and placed entirely under his control.

The success that has attended this department has been especially gratifying, and has been made the subject of favorable comment throughout the state. The reorganization of this department, with the continuance of the police court, has been a financial success. The total cost to the city of the entire department, including the salaries of the judge of the police court, the city marshal, and the regular police and special officers—in short, every expense which could be properly chargeable thereto—has been less than \$100.

The fire department has been thoroughly organized by the efficient chief engineer and his assistants, and, at his suggestion, some additions have been made to the material of the department; not so much as, perhaps, ought to have been done, but all we thought we could afford.

This department gave a practical illustration of its

efficiency and discipline no longer ago than Saturday; comment and praise from me, in view of recent actual proof, is unnecessary.

The occurrence of Saturday was also an object lesson, proving the wisdom of the town in establishing its system of water works before, rather than after, a destructive fire, as so many other towns have done.

For overseer of the poor we are so fortunate as to have an expert, fitted for the office by nature and long training, who, though a layman, knows more about pauper law than many a judge on the bench, and more about the practical application of that law than all of them put together. Naturally we appointed him to the office, and what is usually the most annoying portion of the duty of the city executive was quietly and economically performed without friction or trouble.

In the highway department the plan long discussed, of purchasing teams instead of hiring, was adopted. The expense of the outfit was between \$1,100 and \$1,200. A year ago I expressed the opinion that it would be necessary to expend in the neighborhood of \$8,000 in this department. The actual expenditure, including teams, was \$8,200. At the time of making this appropriation it was thought a smaller sum would be sufficient, so only \$6,700 was appropriated. The result proved the earlier estimate was more nearly correct. The amount expended in work, aside from the purchase of teams, was about \$7,000, which compares favorably with former years. In fact, a little less than for either of the last two years, when everything is included which is now charged to the highway department. At the town meeting the custom was to appropriate a certain sum. The highway surveyor then appointed felt he had kept within the appropriation if, when he made up his account in February, any of this sum was unexpended; but invariably there was a large bill left over for the next year to pay. While no extensive improvements have been attempted, more permanent work has been done than for several years.

The change in the law relating to savings bank taxa-

tion, made at the last session of the legislature, resulted in a net loss to the town last year of a little over \$2,700. Despite this, the revenues of the town, with a slight increase in tax rate, were sufficient to pay all the ordinary expenses and leave a surplus of \$5,000.

It was thought best to begin on the sewer system, for which the town had made preparation two years before by securing the necessary surveys. A detailed account of the work that has been done is given in the engineer's report. Unexpected difficulties were met in the work, so that the amount expended exceeded the available funds, and on the year's business, including the sewer work, there is a deficit of about \$5,000.

In starting off in new and untried paths, and with new machinery, it was to be expected that many mistakes might be made. That some were made is probably true, but we can congratulate ourselves that we have not run wild in the matter of expenditure, but have fully recognized that Franklin the city was no richer than Franklin the town.

Franklin has had the reputation, in years past, of active politics, and from what I know of recent campaigns the reputation has not been unearned; but it has also been said of us that, when battles affecting the whole town were to be fought, all parties of all shades and kinds of political belief were to be found fighting shoulder to shoulder in the common cause. This was true, and it was the keynote of all that I could see in the business of the city the past year—the best interest of Franklin.

I advised, a year ago, a non-partisan administration; that the question of appointments was one of business; that we should ask of a man, "Is he fit? Is he the best man attainable for the place?" not what ticket he votes. I meant what I said. To the best of my ability I tried to carry out this platform, and I believe I was fully supported by the members of the council. I saw no indication that any question was determined in any man's mind by considerations of politics or personal ambition or benefit.

I thank the members of the Council for their faithful and earnest support, and industrious attention to the business of the city, and I can give my successor in office no greater expression of hope for his success and pleasure than my well founded anticipations that he will meet the same hearty and cheerful support in every endeavor for the faithful, economical and prudent administration of his office, for the good of the city, as a business trust.

The same business spirit, seeking the best interests of the city regardless of politics or personal benefit, which has characterized the Council and all officers of the city during the past year, will in the future, in my judgment, not only best promote the success of the city government, but also that of any political party which may happen to have the power to introduce a different order.

The success that has been met the past year is largely due to the earnest and faithful effort of all the officers, and the kindly support of all citizens, and to you all I tender my earnest thanks, for I feel that we have made a success, and have had in Franklin a municipal government that for honesty and economy has not been surpassed by any city.

The oath of office was then taken by Edward H. Sturtevant, mayor-elect, before the outgoing mayor.

The councilmen-elect who were present, Messrs. Sulloway of ward 2, and Emerson of ward 3, were sworn by Mayor Sturtevant, who then gave the following address:

MAYOR STURTEVANT'S INAUGURAL.

Gentlemen of the City Council:

In compliance with the provisions of our charter we meet to organize for the discharge of those duties which the citizens have assigned to us. They have intrusted to our keeping the administration of the business interests of the city for the ensuing year, and will insist that their government shall be efficient, pure and progressive.

To realize the importance of our work should become an incentive to care and fidelity on our part.

In accordance with the established custom of the cities of this state it has become my duty and privilege at this time to communicate to you such information, and recommend such action as, in my opinion, the interests of the city require. First in importance I desire to call your attention to the finances.

FINANCES.

The financial condition of the city, as shown by the city reports, is as follows:

Liabilities.

Bonds of 1885,	\$40,000 00
Memorial Hall bonds,	30,000 00
Interest coupons outstanding,	160 00
Note due Franklin Savings Bank,	5,000 00
Interest on note due Franklin Savings Bank,	289 38
Total,	<u>\$75,449 38</u>

Assets.

Due from Merrimack county,	\$2,318 20
Tax list of 1895,	1,543 69
Cash in treasury,	198 42
Net municipal debt,	71,389 07
Total,	<u>\$75,449 38</u>

Water Works debt.

Bonds of 1891,	\$80,000 00
Bonds of 1894,	12,000 00
Note due Franklin Savings Bank,	4,000 00
Total,	<u>\$96,000 00</u>

There is no necessity for making immediate payment on any of the debt, and the low rate of interest is favorable.

The increase in the state and county tax, under the new apportionment, will be about \$3,000; add to this the reduction in the savings bank tax of about \$2,500 and it makes about \$5,500 which we shall have to raise by taxation in addition to what we should have required had there been no change in the apportionment or the bank tax. The lowest rate for the last five years has been \$16, and the highest \$18, per thousand; the past year it has been \$17. With prudent management I see no reason why we cannot obtain money to pay all expenses and interest charges, and allow us to expend about \$5,000 in permanent improvements, with a tax rate of \$17; or, if not required on improvements, to be applied on the debt.

ROADS.

It is becoming more apparent each year that the best interests of our city demand better roads. It has been our custom to appropriate from \$5,000 to \$6,000 annually for the repair and improvement of highways. That our principal streets are not satisfactory I think will be conceded, and I would recommend that this appropriation be increased, so that we may expend about \$2,500 on Central street, between the covered bridge and Bow street, in some form of pavement which will make a permanent and desirable piece of road so far as this money will extend. As to what kind of pavement should be used I do not at this time feel competent to advise. This part of the street will not be likely to be disturbed on account of pipes, for sewers and the water and gas pipes are already laid. If we make a start and secure the results desired, and on each succeeding year continue the work, we shall in a few years have a much less annual outlay, and at the same time shall enjoy the benefits of such improvements. It has been the custom for several years to invest a portion of the highway money in con-

crete walks, and wherever the citizens were willing to pay half the expense the city has paid the remainder, until we have good walks on nearly all the principal streets, and we should continue this work until all the more thickly settled portions of the city have been reached.

SEWERS.

During the year some \$10,000 was expended in sewers. A portion of this amount has been expended on Bow and Central streets, where it is not available without a further outlay to that portion of the city which is most in need of sewerage. With an additional expenditure of about \$4,000 it can be made accessible to nearly all that part of the city known as Willow hill. The owners of estates directly benefited should pay to the city a part of the cost thereof, and some uniform rate should be established which could be collected on such property; and I would recommend that the city appropriate an amount which, with what is received from the abutters, will be sufficient to practically complete the sewers in this part of the city. That there is a pressing demand for this extension is without question. As far as I am able to judge there is no immediate necessity of further extensions.

SPRINKLING OF STREETS.

I consider this a subject which should receive consideration. There is no question but that the best interests of the city demand that the principal streets should be sprinkled when required. The city should bear a part of the expense, as every citizen is more or less benefited. Those living or doing business on such streets are benefited to a greater degree than those who are not.

This being a fact, it would appear to be just that they should contribute something in addition to paying their proportion of the tax.

People who would naturally come to Franklin on business are influenced, to some extent, by the condition of

our streets. If we desire their trade it is an object for us to make our city as attractive as possible, and I believe that there is no one thing we could do which would be more conducive to the results desired than to have our streets properly sprinkled. This work should be performed under the direction of some committee who will obtain the best results from the amount expended.

PAUPERS.

In the management of this department, experience, skill and tact are essential qualifications to the successful discharge of the duties of the office, and when we can obtain such qualities we should not experiment with new material.

FIRE DEPARTMENT.

The protection of property, which is left to the efficiency of this department, is a subject of much interest to property holders.

We are in need of some system for fire alarm, which will cover the more thickly settled portions of our city. Separated, as the different sections are, by the valleys and streams, our need is much greater than it would be if more compactly settled. Experience has taught us that the department is often delayed in not being able to locate a fire, or in not getting the alarm, to such an extent as to make the value of their service much less when they reach the fire.

I am not prepared to recommend any system at present, but consider this a subject which should receive your careful attention. For further information in regard to the fire department I refer you to the report of the chief engineer.

WATER WORKS.

One of the strongest inducements to those seeking residence among us is our supply of pure spring water. The expenditure has been large, but the results are satis-

factory. The income has already reached a point where it pays all expenses of maintenance, the interest on the bonds, and gives the city its supply for hydrants, street sprinkling and public buildings at an expense so trifling as not to be considered. The time is near when we shall obtain sufficient revenue to give the city its supply of water and a surplus fund, which may be used for extensions or to apply to payment on the debt. The report of the water commissioners will be found to contain much valuable information.

SCHOOLS.

Above all departments this holds the strongest claim on your generosity. The future of the city, state and nation depends upon the children, and their character and ability are determined to a great degree by the standard of our schools. The amount expended in this department is cheerfully paid by taxpayers, if it is shown that the schools maintain a high standard of excellence.

POLICE.

The protection of life, preservation of property, and observance of the laws are intrusted to this department, and honesty, zeal and intelligence should characterize its members. The knowledge and experience which has been acquired by faithful and efficient officers should be considered of vital importance in selecting the members of this department, and no change should be made without careful consideration and a positive conviction that the best interests of the city demand such action.

STREET LIGHTING.

We have an excellent system for lighting our streets, and the results are satisfactory. The expense for maintaining the number of lights required to reach all parts

of the city is necessarily large, and any demand for more lights should be considered with due regard for the increased expense which additions must incur.

CONCLUSION.

Gentlemen, in conclusion I wish to assure you that I fully appreciate the confidence the citizens of Franklin have reposed in me, and I shall, to the best of my ability, strive to merit their approval, and I ask your willing co-operation and advice. Our judgment cannot always be perfect, but, uninfluenced by personal interests or prejudice, we can work harmoniously to promote the interests of our constituents, whose servants we are.

CITY GOVERNMENT

Organized January 6, 1896.

1896

CITY COUNCIL

MAYOR.

Elected annually on the fourth Tuesday of November. Salary, \$200 per year.

EDWARD H. STURTEVANT.

COUNCILMEN.

Elected by wards for three years. One member from each ward elected on the fourth Tuesday of November annually. No salary.

		Term Expires.
<i>Ward 1</i> —	EDWIN S. MORRILL, .	January 4, 1897
	B. M. PRESCOTT, .	January 3, 1898
	RUFUS G. BURLEIGH, .	January 2, 1899
<i>Ward 2</i> —	DENNIS E. SULLIVAN, .	January 4, 1897
	JAMES AIKEN, .	January 3, 1898
	ALVAH W. SULLOWAY, .	January 2, 1899
<i>Ward 3</i> —	CHARLES M. BABBITT. .	January 4, 1897
	GEORGE W. GRIFFIN, .	January 3, 1898
	ORREN F. EMERSON, .	January 2, 1899

STANDING COMMITTEES**OF THE COUNCIL.**

Highways — Griffin, Aiken, Prescott.
Fire Department — Aiken, Emerson, Morrill.
Schools — Sulloway, Burleigh, Babbitt.
Buildings — Babbitt, Prescott, Sullivan.
Police — Morrill, Sullivan, Emerson.
Ordinances — Emerson, Sullivan, Burleigh.
Finance — Sulloway, Griffin, The Mayor.

CITY CLERK.

Elected annually by the city council. Salary, \$100 a year.

IRVING V. GOSS.

CITY SOLICITOR.

Elected annually by the city council. Salary, \$100 a year.

EDWARD G. LEACH.

TREASURER.

Elected annually by the city council. Salary, \$50 a year.

FRANK PROCTOR.

ASSESSORS.

Elected annually by the city council: Salary, \$50 a year, each.

ASA J. THURSTON, ALEXIS PROCTOR,
ELMER D. KELLEY.

OVERSEER OF THE POOR.

Elected annually by the city council. Salary, \$100 a year.

ASA J. THURSTON.

HIGHWAY COMMISSIONER.

Elected annually by the city council. Salary, \$750 a year.

WILL GORDON.

POLICE DEPARTMENT

JUSTICE OF THE POLICE COURT.

Appointed by governor and council. Term expires January 29, 1933.
Salary, \$200 a year.

JAMES E. BARNARD.

SPECIAL JUSTICE OF POLICE COURT.

Appointed by governor and council. Term expires August 9, 1932. Salary, \$2 a day for actual service.

SAMUEL H. ROBIE.

CITY MARSHAL.

Elected annually by the city council. Salary, \$200 a year.

SAMUEL H. ROBIE.

POLICE.

Appointed by city council, upon recommendation of city marshal. Salary, \$50 a month.

LOUIS BASSETT.

SPECIAL POLICE OFFICERS.

Appointed by city council upon recommendation of city marshal. Salary, \$2 a day when on duty, and fees.

E. B. FERGUSON,	FRED A. EASTMAN,
JAMES B. CALLEY,	JAMES CAVANAUGH,
W. W. BUCHANAN,	IRVING V. GOSS,
FRANK H. DANIELL,	CHARLES G. ROWELL.

FIRE DEPARTMENT

One chief and four assistant engineers, appointed annually by the city council.
Salary, chief engineer, \$25; assistant engineers, \$10 a year, each,
and 25 cents an hour for service at fires.

CHIEF ENGINEER.

ELIAS AYLES,* JONATHAN K. MOULTON,†
WILLIE L. WHITTIER.‡

ASSISTANT ENGINEERS.

ALONZO MESSER, HARRY E. COLBY,
MICHAEL J. O'NEIL, DENNIS DUFFY.

FIREMEN.

Appointed by the engineers. Salary, \$10 a year each and 25 cents an hour for
services at fires.

HOSE COMPANY NO. 1.

ELMER W. FRENCH, foreman, 10 men.

STEAMER AND HOSE COMPANY.

FRED GOMO, foreman, 15 men.

HOOK AND LADDER COMPANY.

ARTHUR W. GOODWIN, foreman, 14 men.

JANITOR OF MEMORIAL HALL.

Appointed by the city council. Salary, \$25 a month.

IRVING V. GOSS.

* Resigned Feb. 3. † Elected Feb. 3; resigned Oct. 5, 1896. ‡ Elected Oct. 5, 1896.

CUSTODIAN OF CITY CLOCK.

Appointed by the city council. Salary, \$20 a year.

ALONZO MESSER.

TAX COLLECTOR.

Elected annually by the city council. Salary, \$225 a year.

IRVING V. GOSS.

BOARD OF EDUCATION.

One member elected annually by the city council for three years. Salary, \$300 a year for the board.

MARY A. PROCTOR,	.	.	.	Term expires.
OMAR A. TOWNE, (chairman)	.	.	.	January 4, 1897
JOHN W. STAPLES,	.	.	.	January 3, 1898
	.	.	.	January 2, 1899

BOARD OF WATER COMMISSIONERS.

Two members elected annually by the city council for three years. No salary.
Salary of clerk, \$200 a year.

ALVAH W. SULLOWAY,	.	.	.	Term expires.
FRANK L. MORRISON,	.	.	.	January 1, 1897
EUGENE S. DANIELL,	.	.	.	January 1, 1898
FRANK N. PARSONS (clerk),	.	.	.	January 1, 1898
E. B. S. SANBORN,	.	.	.	January 1, 1899
EDWARD G. LEACH,	.	.	.	January 1, 1899

SUPERINTENDENT OF WATER WORKS.

Appointed by water commissioners.

EPHRAIM L. WALLACE.

PARK COMMISSIONERS.

Two members appointed annually by the city council for three years. No salary.

	Term expires.
G. G. FELLOWS,	April 13, 1897
GEORGE E. BUELL,	April 13, 1897
I. N. BLODGETT,	April 13, 1898
E. G. LEACH,	April 13, 1898
G. R. STONE,	April 13, 1899
F. N. PARSONS,	April 13, 1899

BOARD OF HEALTH.

Elected annually by the city council. Salary, \$25 per year, each.

JOHN W. STAPLES, M. D.,
 ERVIN T. DRAKE, M. D.,
 SETH W. JONES, M. D.

CONSTABLE.

Appointed annually.

ROLLIN E. DAVIS.

SURVEYORS OF WOOD AND LUMBER.

Appointed annually.

JOHN S. JEWELL,	JOHN W. DRESSER,
RUFUS E. BEAN,	ARTHUR W. JONES.

SURVEYORS OF STONE AND MASONRY.

Appointed annually.

JEREMIAH K. JUDKINS, JOHN W. DRESSER.

FISH AND GAME WARDENS.

Appointed annually.

JOHN W. DRESSER, NAPOLEON P. PLOUFF,
 OMAR A. TOWNE.

WARD OFFICERS

WARD ONE.

Elected biennially by the ward.

Moderator — CHARLES H. NICHOLS.*
 ELMER W. FRENCH.†

Elected annually by the ward.

Ward Clerk — FRED F. LONG.‡
 CHARLES G. ROWELL.§

WARD TWO,

Elected biennially by the ward.

Moderator — JAMES E. GALNETT.*
 GEORGE R. STONE.†

Elected annually by the ward.

Ward Clerk — ROBERT J. YOUNG.‡ §

WARD THREE.

Elected biennially by the ward.

Moderator — WALTER D. HARDY.*
 CHARLES C. PAIGE.†

Elected annually by the ward.

Ward Clerk — ELMER D. KELLEY.‡
 HARRY F. DAVIS.§

* Term expired November 3, 1896.

† Elected November 3, 1896.

‡ Term expired November 24, 1896.

§ Elected November 24, 1896.

SUPERVISORS OF THE CHECK=LISTS.

Elected November, 1894. Term Expired November 3, 1896.

ELLSWORTH F. PIKE, WALTER H. STEWART,
JOHN W. DRESSER.

Elected biennially by wards.

WARD ONE.

HARRY W. GILCHRIST, DANA W. CALL,
CHARLES H. NICHOLS.

WARD TWO.

SETH W. JONES, LARROY P. SMITH,
L. R. PERREAULT.

WARD THREE.

FRANK L. TAYLOR, WILLIAM S. STEWART,
WALTER BURLEIGH.

BALLOT INSPECTORS.**WARD ONE.**

CLINTON BLAKE, CHAS. B. PRESCOTT,
BENJ. N. JUDKINS, || EDWIN BUCKLIN, ||
CHAS N. EMERSON, ¶ JOHN O. POOR, ¶
GEORGE S. HUNTOON, GEORGE W. DRAKE.

WARD TWO.

DENNIS E. SULLIVAN,
MARTIN M. FITZGERALD,
WEST C. NEWTON, JOHN P. PROCTOR.

WARD THREE.

GILBERT G. FELLOWS, FABIUS E. ELDER,
HORACE F. GILES, EDWARD G. LEACH.

|| Term expired.

¶ Resigned.

FINANCIAL REPORT

VALUATION

OF THE CITY OF FRANKLIN APRIL 1, 1896.

Polls (1271),	\$127,100 00
Real estate,	1,437,822 00
Horses (760),	39,544 00
Oxen (21),	820 00
Cows (533),	12,094 00
Other stock (2),	60 00
Sheep (104),	224 00
Fowls (200),	80 00
Carriages (51),	4,035 00
Stock in banks,	48,983 00
Money at interest,	30,501 00
Surplus capital in banking institutions,	587 00
Stock in trade,	234,550 00
Mills and machinery,	570,900 00
Total valuation,	<hr/> \$2,507,300 00

TAXES ASSESSED.

State tax,	\$7,530 00
County tax,	8,346 68
School tax, by law,	6,024 00
To meet appropriations,	22,500 00
Bearing money,	730 72
	<hr/> \$45,131 40

APPROPRIATIONS

THE CITY OF FRANKLIN.

In the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and ninety-six. A resolution in relation to the appropriations for the year 1896.

Resolved by the City Council of the City of Franklin as follows:

That the following appropriations be made for the year 1896:

Interest —

Water debt,	\$3,840 00	
Memorial Hall,	1,200 00	
1885 bonds,	1,600 00	
Temporary loan,	500 00	
Overdue coupons,	160 00	
	<hr/>	\$7,300 00

Highways, bridges, snow paths, sidewalks, sprinkling streets,	7,000 00
Street lighting,	3,385 00

Police department, including salaries of judge of police court and city marshal, . .	1,000 00
City poor,	600 00

Fire department—

General expense,	\$1,200 00	
Repairs,	300 00	
	<hr/>	\$1,500 00

Memorial day,	\$100 00
Salaries, not otherwise provided for,	1,400 00
Memorial Hall expense,	700 00
Incidental expenses,	1,400 00
Schools, including literary fund and amount required by law,	13,730 00
State tax,	7,530 00
County tax,	8,346 68
Sanborn bridge,	6,000 00
Sewers,	5,000 00
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	\$64,991 68

Approved April 6, 1896.

E. H. STURTEVANT,
Mayor.

May 4, appropriated for repairs of Nes- mith school,	\$3,000 00
June 1, appropriated for fire alarm sys- tem,	1,000 00
	<hr/>
Total appropriations,	\$68,991 68

EXPENDITURES

*Authorized by the City Council, as shown by the books
of the City Clerk.*

MONTHLY DRAFTS.						
February,	.	.	.	.	.	\$2,864 53
March,	.	.	.	.	.	4,129 05
April,	.	.	.	.	.	4,255 17
May,	.	.	.	.	.	2,721 66
June,	.	.	.	.	.	2,207 86
July,	.	.	.	.	.	5,803 97
August,	.	.	.	.	.	19,853 11
September,	.	.	.	.	.	5,553 01
October,	.	.	.	.	.	6,980 22
November,	.	.	.	.	.	4,806 07
December 7,	.	.	.	.	.	12,876 62
December 19,	.	.	.	.	.	39,381 03
						<hr/> \$111,432 30

ITEMIZED STATEMENT.

INTEREST.			
Total appropriations,	.	.	\$7,300 00
Paid—			
Overdue coupons,	.	.	\$140 00
Bonds, 1885,	.	.	1,584 00
Memorial Hall bonds,	.	.	1,180 00
Water debt,	.	.	3,640 00
Temporary loans,	.	.	693 00
Unexpended balance, to transfer account,	.	.	63 00
			<hr/> \$7,300 00
			<hr/> \$7,300 00

TEMPORARY LOAN.

1896.

Jan. 1, Balance from resources and liabilities,		\$5,289 38
March 2, paid Franklin Savings Bank, interest, . . .	\$289 38	
March 4, borrowed of Franklin Savings Bank,		6,000 00
April 15, borrowed of Franklin Savings Bank,		4,000 00
Aug. 3, paid Franklin Savings Bank,	6,000 00	
Sept. 24, borrowed of Franklin National Bank,		4,000 00
Nov. 4, borrowed of Franklin National Bank,		15,000 00
Dec. 19, paid Franklin Savings Bank,	4,000 00	
Dec. 19, paid Franklin National Bank,	4,000 00	
Dec. 19, paid Franklin National Bank,	15,000 00	
Dec. 24, borrowed of Edgerly & Crocker,		20,000 00
Dec. 29, paid Franklin Savings Bank,	1,000 00	
Dec. 29, balance to resources and liabilities,	24,000 00	
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	\$54,289 38	\$54,289 38

HIGHWAY DEPARTMENT

HIGHWAY COMMISSIONER'S REPORT.

To the City Council of the City of Franklin:

I herewith submit the following report as highway commissioner of the city of Franklin for the year 1896:

List of Property in my Possession, and Estimated Value.

Three horses, \$125 each,	\$375 00
Two carts, \$100 each,	200 00
One one-horse cart,	50 00
Two two-horse sleds,	100 00
Two sets harnesses,	80 00
One cart harness,	20 00
Blankets, circingles, halters, brushes and combs,	30 00
Whiffletrees, neck yokes and spread chains,	12 00
One plow,	10 00
One scraper,	6 00
One level,	1 00
One cross-cut saw,	2 00
One hammer,	50
Three stone hammers,	5 25
Four steel bars,	4 00
Two dump barrows,	3 00
Two pails,	50
One road machine,	50 00

Four chains,	\$5 00
One bush scythe and snath,	1 50
Two scoop shovels,	1 50
Four snow shovels,	1 00
Eight picks,	4 00
Two bog hoes,	1 50
Three street hoes,	1 50
Four common hoes,	1 00
Ten shovels,	2 50
One basket,	1 75
Five gallons machine oil,	1 75
Three new snow plows,	150 00
Three old snow plows,	30 00
Four snow rolls,	200 00
One harrow for macadam work,	30 00
One tool box,	5 00
Two man-hole shovels,	2 00
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	\$1,389 25

In addition to the 2,000 feet in length of macadam put in on Central street, there has been 850 feet of twelve-inch pipe, with man-holes and concrete gutters, put in on School and North Main streets, and considerable work done near John C. Smith's, all at a cost of upwards of \$500, which was not anticipated when the appropriations were made.

I have received of Mayo Knitting Machine Co. for crushed stone, \$6.50; of John F. Leighton, for team drawing ice one day, \$3.50; from subscriptions and abuttage for concrete walks, \$305; from subscriptions for sprinkling streets, \$316.50.

I sold the old Sanborn bridge for \$25, which amount I collected. All of the above amounts will appear in the treasurer's report. I also sold to Howard & Clark crushed stone amounting to \$8.25, which amount was deducted from their bill for concreting.

WILL GORDON,
Highway Commissioner.

EXPENDITURES.

Appropriation	\$7,000 00	
Jan. 3, Received of E. A. Brockway, account labor,	3 00	
Feb. 15, " of Boston & Maine R. R., refunded,	30	
Dec. 28, " for crushed stone,	6 50	
" 28, " of J. F. Leighton, for team,	3 50	
" " subscription for concrete walks,	305 00	
" " subscription for sprinkling streets,	316 50	
By teams drawing stone, charged to Sanborn bridge account,	35 00	
Paid —		
For general repairs,	\$5,632 81	
" macadam roads,	3,258 60	
" bridge repairs,	277 29	
" city teams,	256 00	
" snow paths,	579 96	
" concrete walks,	916 91	
Balance overdrawn to transfer account,	\$3,251 77	
	<u>\$10,921 57</u>	<u>\$10,921 57</u>

GENERAL EXPENSE.

1896. Paid —		
Feb. 3, Pay roll, week ending Dec. 28,	\$110 33	
" 3, " " Jan. 6,	102 88	
" 3, James A. Connor, board of horses to Jan. 16,	92 00	
" 3, J. Hadlock, supplies for road machine,	8 00	

Feb.	3,	Boston & Maine R. R., freight on sleds and plow,	\$5 30
"	3,	Chandler Eastman & Sons, one two-horse sled,	54 00
"	3,	H. B. Martin, bill for labor,	7 65
"	3,	Will Gordon, board of horses to Feb. 1,	24 09
Mar.	2,	Dr. L. E. Tuttle, professional services,	5 50
"	2,	W. L. Stevens, bill for labor,	1 50
"	2,	Frank Ely, repairing tools,	1 70
"	2,	McDonnell & Atkins, repairing tools, &c.,	12 55
Apr.	6,	Will Gordon, board of horses, February,	45 17
"	6,	Pay roll, week ending March 7,	64 10
"	6,	G. O. Thompson, supplies,	26 15
"	6,	A. C. Dionne, professional services,	10 80
"	6,	L. E. Tuttle, professional services,	9 65
"	6,	Pay roll, week ending April 4,	76 67
May	2,	Will Gordon, board of horses, March,	36 14
"	2,	Pay roll, week ending April 11,	91 52
"	2,	" " " 18,	97 22
"	2,	" " " 25,	86 07
"	2,	Will Gordon, board of horses, April,	45 17
"	2,	McDonnell & Atkins, bill,	13 15
June	1,	Pay roll, week ending May 2,	76 05
"	1,	" " " 9,	138 45
"	1,	" " " 16,	112 56
"	1,	" " " 23,	133 68
"	1,	Will Gordon, board of horses, May,	45 17
"	1,	H. F. Giles, plank,	20 44
"	1,	R. G. Burleigh, bill for supplies,	21 47
"	1,	L. N. Gordon, sprinkling streets,	245 00
July	6,	Pay roll, week ending May 30,	129 72
"	6,	" " June 6,	165 41
"	6,	" " " 13,	122 20

July	6,	Pay roll, week ending July 20,	\$131 44
"	6,	" " " 27,	122 70
"	6,	Will Gordon, board of horses, June,	45 17
"	6,	F. H. Chapman & Co., medicine for horses,	4 65
"	6,	J. Hadlock, repairs of road ma- chine,	8 50
"	6,	L. N. Gordon, sprinkling streets,	175 00
Aug.	3,	Pay roll, week ending July 4,	135 25
"	3,	" " " 11,	154 00
"	3,	" " " 18,	125 15
"	3,	" " " 25,	143 23
"	3,	Will Gordon, board of horses, July,	45 17
"	3,	J. D. Kirk, supplies,	12 00
"	3,	McDonnell & Atkins, repairs,	18 55
"	3,	Jason Kidder, repairs,	6 18
"	3,	L. N. Gordon, sprinkling streets,	160 00
"	3,	R. G. Burleigh, supplies,	39 67
Sept.	7,	Pay roll, week ending Aug. 1,	175 27
"	7,	" " " 8,	119 10
"	7,	" " " 15,	123 80
"	7,	" " " 22,	129 05
"	7,	" " " 29,	135 51
"	7,	Walter Burleigh, grade,	18 20
"	7,	G. O. Thompson, supplies,	11 85
"	7,	E. A. Pike, supplies,	9 15
"	7,	Judkins & Wallace, supplies,	2 33
"	7,	Calley & Keniston, repairs,	21 70
"	7,	J. B. Tuttle, repairs,	1 00
"	7,	R. G. Burleigh, supplies,	11 75
"	7,	L. N. Gordon, sprinkling streets,	105 00
Oct.	5,	J. W. Dresser, cement,	2 75
Nov.	2,	Pay roll, week ending Oct. 17,	41 15
"	2,	R. G. Burleigh, supplies,	17 03
"	2,	Frank Laforge, storage of snow rollers,	8 00
"	2,	Dr. James Hart, professional ser- vices,	20 00
"	2,	L. N. Gordon, sprinkling streets,	30 00
Dec.	7,	Pay roll, week ending Oct. 31,	126 92

Dec.	7, Pay roll, week ending Nov. 7,	\$84 75
"	7, " " " 14,	171 33
"	7, " " " 21,	121 70
"	7, " " " 28,	110 27
"	7, J. W. Dresser, four casks cement,	5 00
"	7, G. O. Thompson, supplies,	8 25
"	7, R. G. Burleigh, pipe and grates for drains,	44 81
"	7, J. B. Howard, grade,	17 20
"	7, Judkins & Wallace, supplies,	8 92
"	7, F. M. Edmunds, brick for man- hole,	3 50
"	7, E. C. Stone, dynamite and caps,	5 57
"	7, John D. Kirk, supplies,	6 84
"	7, Calley & Keniston, repairs,	31 25
"	7, A. C. Tilton, brick for manhole,	4 50
"	7, Will Gordon, board of horses, No- vember,	45 17
"	7, Dr. L. E. Tuttle, services,	20 00
"	19, Pay roll, week ending Dec. 5,	85 05
"	19, " " " 12,	91 87
"	19, " " " 19,	39 25
"	19, E. A. Pike, blankets, &c.,	5 10
"	19, F. H. Chapman & Co., medicine,	2 95
"	19, I. V. Goss, services as paymaster,	20 00
"	19, Franklin Mills, grade,	3 20
"	19, D. N. Davis, posts,	5 75
"	19, J. F. Leighton, stone and damage to land,	15 00
"	19, Jason Kidder, repairing road ma- chine,	40
"	19, J. B. Tuttle, repairing snow plow,	1 50
		<hr/> \$5,632 81

MACADAM ROADS.

Paid—

Sept. 7,	Pay roll, week ending Sept. 5,	\$201 82
" 7,	Boston & Maine R. R., freight on stone crusher,	18 45
Oct. 5,	Pay roll, week ending Sept. 12,	269 52
" 5,	" " " 19,	269 90
" 5,	" " " 26,	320 60
" 5,	" " Oct. 3,	321 30
" 5,	Will Gordon, board of horses Au- gust and September,	90 34
" 5,	F. M. Edmunds, coal for crusher,	115 43
" 5,	J. Hadlock, edge for road machine,	8 00
" 5,	R. G. Burleigh, supplies,	30 59
" 5,	Winnipiseogee Paper Co., oil and belt hooks,	5 60
" 5,	F. G. Cate, signs,	1 80
" 5,	Colby & Huntoon, harrow and tool box,	30 05
" 5,	Boston & Maine R. R., freight on roller from Concord,	20 40
" 5,	Boston & Maine R. R., freight on new roller,	43 20
Nov. 2,	Pay roll, week ending Oct. 10,	296 07
" 2,	" " " 17,	302 67
" 2,	" " " 24,	231 77
" 2,	Will Gordon, board of horses, Oc- tober,	45 17
" 2,	Kidder Machine Co., repairs,	5 97
" 2,	Boston & Maine R. R., freight on oil,	36
" 2,	F. M. Edmunds, coal for crusher,	58 28
Dec. 7,	Climax Road Machine Co., rent of crusher (to be deducted from price of crusher),	256 00
" 7,	Winnipiseogee Paper Co., rent of boiler for crusher,	38 00

Dec. 7, J. W. Dresser, rent of engine for crusher,	\$40 00
" 7, Winnipiseogee Paper Co., Belt and clamps,	2 03
" 7, City of Concord, rent of steam roller,	173 09
" 7, Salem & South Danvers Oil Co., oil for crusher,	6 50
" 7, Robert Young, board of David Cook while setting up crusher,	8 50
" 19, Kidder Machine Co., supplies for crusher,	27 59
" 7, McDonnell & Atkins, repairs,	19 60
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	\$3,258 60

CITY TEAMS.

1896. Paid —

May 2, Will Gordon, one horse,	\$100 00
Nov. 2, Union Snow Plow Co., two snow plows,	116 00
Dec. 7, Union Snow Plow Co., one snow plow,	40 00
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	\$256 00

CONCRETE WALKS.

1896. Paid —

Aug. 3, S. A. Howard, bill,	\$916 91
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BRIDGES.

1896. Paid —

Apr. 6, Pay roll Patrick Kelley bridge,	\$9 45
" 6, A. T. Burleigh, Kelley bridge lumber,	5 20
May 2, A. S. Ripley, lumber, Tay bridge,	37 79
Aug. 3, Pay roll Needle Shop bridge,	8 40

Aug. 3,	Lewis & Noyes, Sucker Brook bridge,	\$44 25
" 3,	H. L. Emery, plank, Needle Shop bridge,	2 58
Sept. 7,	H. F. Giles, lumber for repairs,	47 87
" 7,	Kidder Machine Co., bolts and castings,	7 22
Oct. 5,	Derby & Morse, one incandescent lamp,	50
Dec. 7,	A. S. Ripley, lumber for repairs,	58 32
" 19,	H. F. Giles, lumber and labor, Giles Mill bridge,	55 71
		<hr/> \$277 29

SNOW PATHS.

Feb. 3,	Pay roll, week ending Jan. 11,	\$20 74
" 3,	" " " 18,	20 90
" 3,	" " " 25,	29 97
" 3,	" " Feb. 1,	27 25
Mar. 2,	" " " 8,	61 50
" 2,	" " " 15,	37 60
" 2,	" " " 22,	50 29
Apr. 6,	" " " 29,	49 65
" 6,	" " Mar. 7,	73 67
" 6,	" " " 14,	53 25
" 6,	" " " 21,	76 24
" 6,	" " " 28,	78 90
		<hr/> \$579 96

STREET LIGHTING.

1896. Appropriation.	.	.	.	.	\$3,385 00	
Paid —						
Apr. 6, Franklin Gas and Elec-						
tric Light Co.,	.				\$827 50	
July 6, Franklin Gas and Elec-						
tric Light Co.,	.				827 50	
Oct. 5, Franklin Light and						
Power Co.,	.				843 75	
Dec. 7, J. B. Calley, lighting						
bridge,	.				10 00	
“ 19, Franklin Light and						
Power Co.,	.				843 75	
Balance to transfer account unex-						
pended,	.	.	.	.	32 50	
					<u>\$3,385 00</u>	<u>\$3,385 00</u>

POLICE DEPARTMENT

CITY MARSHAL'S REPORT.

To the City Council of the City of Franklin:

My report for the year ending Dec. 15, 1896, is as follows:

Whole number of arrests,	92
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CAUSES OF ARRESTS.

Breaking and entering,	1
Loitering on railroad property,	1
False pretences,	. . . . .	1
Riding bicycle on sidewalk,	. . . . .	1
Unlawfully fishing,	. . . . .	1
Discharging firearms on Sunday,	. . . . .	1
Keeping open on Sunday,	. . . . .	1
Overdriving a horse,	. . . . .	1
Selling beer,	. . . . .	1
Non support,	. . . . .	2
Cruelty to animals,	. . . . .	2
Keeping for sale spirituous liquor,	. . . . .	3
Disturbing a religious meeting,	. . . . .	3
Larceny,	. . . . .	3
Disorderly conduct,	. . . . .	4
Keeping unlicensed dogs,	. . . . .	5
Keeping beer for sale,	. . . . .	6

Assaults,	10
Selling spirituous liquor,	5
Drunks,	40
	— 92

The foregoing cases were disposed of as follows:

Paid fines and costs,	28
Paid costs,	10
Bound over to supreme court,	6
Committed to house of correction,	7
Committed to jail,	3
Disclosed and discharged,	6
Discharged,	12
Sentences placed on file,	13
Fines remaining unpaid,	7
	— 92

Paid to city treasurer, on account of fines and costs,	\$560 81
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In addition to the cases here enumerated the police service for the year has included the investigating of many matters that have not been brought before the court, attending to numerous complaints, and the devoting of such time as seemed necessary in the effort to preserve order, protect property, secure obedience to law, and to punish offenders.

I would suggest that grappling irons, and a sufficient quantity of rope, be purchased and kept at the police headquarters, ready for use when needed.

Respectfully submitted,

S. H. ROBIE,
City Marshal.

EXPENDITURES.

1896.

Appropriation,	\$1,000 00
Received from police court fines,	560 81

Paid—

July 6, E. B. Ferguson, police service to July 1,	\$15 01	
“ 6, James E. Barnard, service as judge of police court to July 1, 1896,	100 00	
“ 6, Frank C. Stevens, white-washing lobby,	2 00	
Aug. 3, S. H. Robie, pay roll special police,	70 00	
“ 3, S. H. Robie, services as city marshal to July 1,	100 00	
“ 3, Louis Bassett, services July 3 and 4,	3 00	
“ 3, E. R. Angell, for analysis of beer,	10 00	
Sept. 7, N. P. Renouf, food for tramps,	3 00	
Dec. 19, Towne & Robie, printing,	7 10	
“ 19, James E. Barnard, balance services judge of police court,	100 00	
“ 19, S. H. Robie, balance services city marshal,	100 00	
“ 19, P. Gahagan, food for tramps,	1 15	
“ 19, S. H. Robie, pay roll special police,	129 18	
“ 19, Louis Bassett, salary to Jan. 1, 1897,	600 00	
Balance to transfer account unexpended,	320 37	
	<u>\$1,560 81</u>	<u>\$1,560 81</u>

FIRE DEPARTMENT

REPORT OF CHIEF ENGINEER.

FRANKLIN, N. H., Dec. 29, 1896.

To the City Council of the City of Franklin :

We submit the following report of the fire department of the city of Franklin for the year 1896 :

FIRE APPARATUS.

District No. 1, in hose house No. 1, one thousand feet two and one-half inch rubber lined hose, one hand hose reel and necessary equipments, one hand pump, six hundred and fifty feet of two inch leather hose, also one power pump located in Taylor's foundry.

In district No. 2, central station, one thousand six hundred feet, two and one-half inch rubber lined hose and one steam fire engine (at present needing repairs,) thirty feet of suction hose, one hose reel, one hose wagon, one hook and ladder truck with necessary equipments for same. In house No. 3, one hand reel, and four hundred feet of two and one-half inch rubber lined hose.

In District No. 3, house No. 4, one hand reel, four hundred and fifty feet, two and one-half inch rubber lined hose.

In District No. 4, house No. 5, one hand reel, four hundred and fifty feet of two and one-half inch rubber lined hose.

In regard to hose we have three thousand nine hundred feet; three hundred and fifty feet of this is unfit for service, and as it has been the practice for the highway to call on the fire department for hose to flush sewers, it is expected that the number of feet of discarded hose will increase. Five hundred feet of new hose should be added to the central station reserve.

FIRES 1896.

Jan. 4. M. H. Fisher, wood dwelling, Elkins street.

Feb. 20. Edward E. Jackman, wood dwelling, Depot street; loss \$190 00.

Feb. 22. Chas. C. Odom, wood dwelling, Park street; loss, \$925 00.

June 2. Huntoon Bros., ice house; loss \$1,000 00.

June 6. Colby & Ripley, ice house.

Sept. 22. Alarm from box 25, Winnipiseogee Paper Co., coal.

Sept. 24. Alarm from box 25, James Cunningham's store; no loss.

Sept. 26. Alarm from box 16, O. E. Rowe, dwelling, Webster street.

Sept. 30. Alarm from box 25, Franklin mills.

Oct. 6. Alarm from box 14, G. W. Drake, barn; no loss.

Oct. 12. Alarm from box 14, G. A. Grace, dwelling; no loss.

Nov. 10. Alarm from box 25, wood dwelling of Mrs. S. J. Wallace, Franklin street.

W. L. WHITTIER, *Chief Engineer.*

M. J. O'NEIL, *Clerk.*

EXPENDITURES.

1896.

Total appropriation, \$2,500 00

GENERAL EXPENSE.

Paid —

Feb. 3,	F. H. Chapman & Co., supplies,	\$1 00
" 3,	F. M. Edmunds, coal at engine house,	32 74
" 3,	Kidder Machine Co., two hydrant gates,	37 00
Mar. 2,	Dean Bros., wood,	3 25
" 2,	McDonnell & Atkins, supplies and repairs,	3 50
Apr. 6,	James E. Galnett, clerk, pay roll Hook and Ladder Co. No. 1,	102 53
" 6,	F. Huntoon, clerk, pay roll Hose Co. No. 1,	79 50
" 6,	Ned Bunton, clerk, pay roll Steamer Co.,	242 75
" 6,	W. H. Stewart, services as clerk,	5 00
May 2,	Kidder Machine Co., sup- plies,	1 44
June 1,	J. D. Kirk, supplies,	5 60
Oct. 5,	James E. Galnett, clerk, pay roll Hook and Ladder Co.,	116 75
" 5,	F. J. Huntoon, clerk, pay roll Hose Co. No. 1,	116 75
" 5,	Ned Bunton, clerk, pay roll Steamer Co.,	258 16
Nov. 2,	J. K. Moulton, services and repairs,	48 72

Dec. 7,	James H. Grayshan,	
	supplies,	\$1 35
" 19,	J. D. Kirk, supplies, . .	1 05
" 19,	E. W. French, wood, . .	4 00
" 19,	W. L. Whittier, pay roll	
	engineers,	79 45
" 19,	W. E. Carr, team,	
	July 3,	1 50
" 19,	F. M. Edmunds, coal, . .	10 96
" 19,	R. G. Burleigh, supplies,	3 02
" 19,	Judkins & Wallace, sup-	
	plies,	6 70
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		\$1,162 72

REPAIRS.

Paid —

June 1,	Judkins & Wallace, re-	
	pairs,	\$89 16
July 6,	F. G. Cate, painting en-	
	gine house,	91 75
" 3,	F. H. Chapman & Co.,	
	paint,	39 06
Nov. 2,	A. S. Eastman, repair-	
	ing hose carriage, . . .	9 50
Dec. 7,	John C. Simonds, curb-	
	ing and labor,	4 80
" 7,	Howard & Clark, con-	
	crete,	25 93
" 7,	A. W. Page, labor, . . .	4 60
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		\$264 80

FIRE ALARM SYSTEM.

Paid —

Sept. 7,	J. K. Moulton, labor and	
	supplies,	\$68 17
" 7,	George M. Stevens, con-	
	tract price fire alarm	
	system,	980 00
Oct. 5,	Derby & Morse, labor	
	and supplies,	14 48

Oct. 5, Franklin Light & Power		
Co., two poles, .	\$9 92	
Nov. 2, Derby & Morse, labor, .	1 20	
Dec. 7, I. V. Goss, cash paid		
for express on whis-		
tles,	1 25	
" 7, George M. Stevens, sup-		
plies,	27 64	
" 7, Kidder Machine Co.,		
couplings,	35	
" 19, Crosby Steam Gauge and		
Valve Co., steam whis-		
tle,	19 50	
	<u>\$1,122 51</u>	
Total expenditures,	\$2,550 03	
Balance to transfer account over-		
drawn,		50 03
	<u>\$2,550 03</u>	<u>\$2,550 03</u>

MEMORIAL DAY.

1896.

Appropriation,	\$100 00
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Paid —

June 1, P. L. Kennedy, for Geo.		
F. Sweat Post,	\$100 00	
	<u>\$100 00</u>	<u>\$100 00</u>

MEMORIAL HALL.

1896.

Appropriation,	\$700 00
Received for rentals Opera House,	671 25
Paid —	
Feb. 3, Derby & Morse, lamps and repairs,	\$7 28
“ 3, C. Lefebvre, glass and setting,	75
“ 3, Franklin Gas and Elec- tric Light Co., gas and electricity, De- cember and January,	82 82
Mar. 2, Gould Bros., wood,	1 50
“ 2, Willis Q. Wells, repairs, seats,	1 25
“ 2, F. E. Barnard & Co., insurance,	91 67
“ 2, E. G. Leach, insurance,	91 68
“ 2, R. E. Bean, insurance,	91 65
“ 2, F. G. Cate, painting windows,	1 60
“ 2, Franklin Gas and Elec- tric Light Co., Feb- ruary,	58 00
Apr. 6, George F. Prescott, lum- ber and labor on ta- bles,	11 80
“ 6, A. H. Trottier, supplies,	1 15
“ 6, Jason Kidder, labor and material on radiator,	3 81
“ 6, Franklin Gas and Elec- tric light Co., March,	17 45
May 2, E. M. Quint, tuning pi- ano,	2 00

June	1, R. G. Burleigh, supplies,	\$4 21
"	1, F. M. Edmunds, coal and wood,	17 46
"	1, Franklin Light and Power Co., April and May,	77 00
July	6, I. K. Ober, drawing gar- bage,	2 00
"	6, Franklin steam laundry, washing towels,	75
"	6, Franklin Light and Power Co., June,	37 90
"	6, Derby & Morse, lamps and repairs,	9 70
Aug.	3, F. M. Edmunds, 88,735 pounds coal,	251 28
"	3, H. A. Currier, supplies,	3 40
"	3, W. Q. Wells, repairing locks,	1 00
Sept.	7, Franklin Light and Power Co., July,	26 15
"	7, C. Penniman, glass and setting,	1 63
"	7, Judkins & Wallace, re- pairs,	2 53
"	7, J. G. Wells, washing towels,	1 15
Oct.	5, W. H. Hunt, brooms,	60
"	5, I. K. Ober, drawing gar- bage,	50
"	5, Franklin Light and Power Co., August and September,	29 25
Nov.	2, Derby and Morse, lamps,	8 60
"	2, F. Carl Merrill, tuning piano,	2 50
"	Kidder Machine Co., labor,	80
Dec.	7, Franklin Light and Power Co., October and November,	101 65

Dec. 7, Judkins & Wallace, re-		
pairing closet, . . .	\$23 64	
" 7, W. Q. Wells, repairs, .	1 40	
" 7, I. K. Ober, drawing gar-		
bage, . . .	1 50	
" 7, Kidder Machine Co., la-		
bor on boiler, . . .	1 22	
" 7, Franklin Falls Co., land		
west side Memorial		
Hall, . . .	234 90	
" 19, Jason Kidder, brush for		
boiler, . . .	2 00	
" 19, H. L. Young, supplies,	12 36	
" 19, F. H. Chapman & Co.,		
wax, . . .	2 60	
" 19, Towne & Robie, print-		
ing, . . .	32 95	
" 19, R. G. Burleigh, hose and		
supplies, . . .	10 57	
" 19, Judkins & Wallace,		
drinking fountain, . .	24 56	
" 19, I. V. Goss, janitor to		
Jan. 1, 1897, . . .	300 00	
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	\$1692 17	
Balance to transfer account over-		
drawn,		\$320 92
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	\$1,692 17	\$1,692 17

INCIDENTALS.

1896.

Appropriation, \$1,400 00

Paid —

Feb. 2, I. V. Goss, recording	
births, marriages and	
deaths, . . .	\$133 75
" 2, N. E. Telephone Co.,	
rent, December, . . .	2 50

Feb.	2,	F. F. Long, ward clerk, return of election,	\$1 00
"	2,	Elmer D. Kelley, ward clerk, return of elec- tion,	1 00
"	2,	E. S. Avery, services as auditor, 1895 acc'ts,	25 00
"	2,	Silsby & Son, books,	9 25
"	2,	Dr. L. R. Perreault, re- porting births and deaths,	13 75
"	2,	Towne & Robie, print- ing city reports, 1895,	323 44
Mar.	2,	F. H. Daniell, envelopes,	16 80
"	2,	Dr. Edward Abbott, re- porting births and deaths,	50
Apr.	6,	J. K. Moulton, prepar- ing voting booths, ward one,	2 75
"	6,	A. Messer, care of city clock,	25 00
"	6,	W. S. Stewart & Co., stationery,	6 99
"	6,	Wm. E. Carr, teams de- livering inventory blanks,	4 00
"	6,	Merrimack Journal, printing notice,	2 25
May	2,	Towne & Robie, binding 27 reports, morocco,	32 75
"	2,	E. C. Eastman, books,	2 25
"	2,	R. J. Young, ward clerk, return of elections,	2 00
"	2,	R. E. Bean, insurance Republican bridge,	36 28
June	1,	Merrimack Journal, printing notices,	2 50
"	1,	E. G. Leach, insurance Republican bridge,	23 75

June	1,	S. Marvin, insurance engine house, . . .	\$27 00
"	1,	T. O. Calley, printing, . . .	4 25
July	6,	F. H. Chapman & Co., supplies, . . .	3 30
"	6,	N. E. Telephone Co., rent, May, . . .	2 50
"	6,	Geo. R. Stone, insurance Republican bridge, . .	12 50
"	6,	Frank H. Daniell, envelopes, . . .	5 92
"	6,	James M. Morse, use of water tub, . . .	3 00
"	6,	Jonas B. Aiken, use of two water tubs, . .	6 00
"	6,	T. O. Calley, printing, . . .	4 45
Aug.	3,	Dr. J. W. Staples, reporting births and deaths, . . .	5 50
"	3,	S. A. Howard, recovering concrete walks, . .	316 25
"	3,	N. E. Telephone Co., rent, January, February, March, April, . .	8 00
"	3,	N. E. Telephone Co., rent, June, . . .	3 65
Sept.	7,	W. S. Stewart & Co., stationery and books, . .	8 40
"	7,	N. E. Telephone Co., rent, July and August, . .	5 25
Nov.	2,	N. E. Telephone Co., rent, September, . .	3 40
"	2,	Smith Hancock, use of water tub, . . .	3 00
"	2,	Hiram Fellows estate, use of water tub, . .	3 00
Dec.	7,	Fred E. Flanders, bounty on hawk, . . .	25
"	7,	T. O. Calley, printing check lists, . . .	51 50

Dec. 7,	F. H. Daniell, envelopes,	\$8 26
" 7,	N. E. Telephone Co., rent, October, . . .	2 50
" 7,	I. V. Goss, services, clerk, board of assess- sors, . . .	25 00
" 7,	J. K. Moulton, prepar- ing voting booths, . .	13 75
" 7,	J. W. Dresser, survey- ing, . . .	30 00
" 7,	Robert Young, meals for election officers,	15 00
" 7,	F. M. Edmunds, wood for U. S. cavalry, . .	4 00
" 7,	G. M. Woodward, use of water tub, . . .	3 00
" 19,	Rev. A. J. Timon, re- porting marriages, . .	4 75
" 19,	Dr. E. T. Drake, re- porting births and deaths, . . .	11 00
" 19,	Dr. J. F. Merrill, report- ing births and deaths,	6 50
" 19,	Dr. J. W. Staples, re- porting births and deaths, . . .	4 50
" 19,	Dr. S. W. Jones, report- ing births and deaths,	2 75
" 19,	Dr. L. R. Perreault, re- porting births and deaths, . . .	13 75
" 19,	W. S. Stewart & Co., supplies, . . .	8 50
" 19,	O. A. Towne, expense for fish and game wardens, . . .	16 49
" 19,	Mrs. O. B. Davis and daughters, meals for election officers, . .	8 25

Dec. 19, F. H. Chapman & Co.,	
ink,	\$ 45
“ 19, Towne & Robie, print-	
ing,	59 90
“ 19, Thomas P. Thompson,	
storage of booths,	2 00
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	\$1,384 98

HIGHWAY DAMAGE.

1896. Paid—

John P. Gifford, for
damage on highway, \$40 00

BOARD OF HEALTH.

1896. Paid—

Mar. 2, H. A. Currier, bill for	
connecting houses of	
Mrs. H. A. Burr with	
sewer,	\$55 30
May 2, J. W. Staples, paid for	
analysis of water,	3 00
July 6, F. H. Chapman & Co.,	
chloride of lime,	15
Dec. 7, Ellen A. Richards,	
analysis of water,	15 00
“ 19, S. W. Jones, postage,	
and express,	4 00
“ 19, Towne & Robie, print-	
ing,	1 50
“ 19, E. R. Angell, analysis	
of water,	13 30
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	\$92 25

Total paid for incidental ex-
penses, \$1,517 23

Balance to transfer account over-		
drawn,	\$117 23	
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	\$1,517 23	\$1,517 23

OVERSEER OF THE POOR

REPORT

CITY POOR.

1896.

Appropriation,	\$600 00
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Paid—

Charles Taylor,	\$230 95
Edmund LaPage,	27 82
Mrs. Ed Wade,	69 21
H. L. Ladd,	62 00
Dr. L. R. Perreault,	12 50
A. J. Thurston, Peabody case,	1 35
A. J. Thurston, expense county settlement,	1 60
John Keating,	30 00
Marcellas Bailey,	34 44
E. Lesante,	23 65
George Ridlon,	9 75
Mrs. Hiram Daniels,	13 13
Mrs. Fred Hicks,	24 00

540 40

Balance to transfer account unexpended,	59 60
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\$600 00

\$600 00

COUNTY PAUPERS.

Mrs. Julia, Campbell,	\$86 33
Mrs. Hutchinson,	50 00
Fred Young,	65 21
Fred Naud,	138 82
Mrs. Dacota,	26 88
Frank Battise,	62 11
Mrs. Pelkey,	71 05
J. L. Dickerson,	72 06
G. H. Veasey,	213 00
George Browne,	9 95
Kate Foley,	22 85
Mrs. John Kimball,	68 03
Mrs. Paul Ellis,	148 76
Mrs. Ed Bean and children,	259 73
Joseph Young,	72 24
Rose Wiser,	8 82
Geo. Bachant,	61 26
Sarah Collins,	95 00
Mrs. Osborne,	26 35
Mrs. Paul Young,	10 00
John Charland,	69 07
Fred Viznia,	43 61
John Miller,	3 00
Mary Safford, for two children,	84 50
Alfred Emerson,	60 95
Weston Danforth,	5 75
George Dolby,	50 24
A. Boulrisse,	29 40
Mary Mahagan,	73 25
X. Young,	16 75
Mary Austin,	20 85
John Furguson,	12 98
Fred Longley,	35 72
Joseph Bauchaine,	72 25
Mrs. N. P. Douglass,	3 50
George Beckman,	6 85
Mrs. Wells,	29 43
Frank Jenness,	2 85

 \$2,189 40

COUNTY—DEPENDENT SOLDIERS' ACCOUNT.

Sarah Adams,	\$71 75
Mrs. A. Bennett,	90 50
Willie Smith,	79 45
George Stevens,	36 30
Mrs. C. E. Cook,	54 40
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	\$332 40

TRANSIENT PAUPERS' ACCOUNT.

Paid —

Peter Brabard,	\$5 00
Mr. Pickard,	11 25
J. Pollard,	5 00
Mrs. J. Samon,	5 00
Mrs. Chase,	5 00
Phineas Hough,	17 80
J. LaMay,	5 00
Felix Martin,	3 50
Aid to sundry persons,	152 64
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	210 19
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	\$2,731 99

Due from Merrimack county,	<hr/>	\$2,731 99
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	\$2,731 99	\$2,731 99

A. J. THURSTON,
Overseer of the Poor.

MERRIMACK COUNTY.**DR.**

To balance, 1895 report, . . .	\$2,318 20
Due on 1895 report (error), . . .	20 00
To expenditures, 1896, . . .	2,731 99
	<u>\$5,070 19</u>

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1896.	
Feb. 8, By cash, . . .	2,338 20
Balance due city, . . .	<u>\$2,731 99</u>

DOG LICENSES.

Total receipts,		\$478 19
Paid—		
Dec. 7, Mrs. A. M. Crosby, ducks killed,	\$2 25	
Balance to transfer account unex- pended, included in sundry receipts,	\$475 94	
	<u>\$478 19</u>	<u>\$478 19</u>

SALARIES.

1896.	
Appropriation,	\$1,400 00
Paid—	
J. W. Dresser, supervisor, . . .	\$30 00
E. F. Pike, supervisor, . . .	30 00
W. H. Stewart, supervisor, . . .	33 00

A. J. Thurston, assessor, . . .	\$50 00	
A. Proctor, assessor, . . .	50 00	
E. D. Kelley, assessor, . . .	50 00	
E. H. Sturtevant, mayor, . . .	200 00	
I. V. Goss, city clerk, . . .	100 00	
Frank Proctor, city treasurer, . . .	50 00	
E. G. Leach, city solicitor, . . .	100 00	
A. J. Thurston, overseer poor, . . .	100 00	
O. A. Towne, for salaries of board of education, . . .	300 00	
S. W. Jones, for salaries of board of health,	75 00	
I. V. Goss, tax collector, . . .	225 00	
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	\$1,393 00	
Balance to transfer account, unex- pended,	7 00	
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	\$1,400 00	\$1,400 00
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SEWERS.

Appropriation,	\$5,000 00
Received for labor on sewer connections, . . .	142 55

Paid —

For construction of new system, \$5,807 78	
For repairs school street sewer, . . .	289 63
For Repairs North Main street sewer,	187 91
For miscellaneous repairs, . . .	164 23
Balance to transfer account, over- drawn,	1,307 00
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\$6,449,55	\$6,449 55

ITEMIZED STATEMENT.

1896. Paid —

July	6,	Pay roll, week ending June 27,	.	\$105	55
"	6,	" " " July 4,	.	182	40
"	6,	Winnipiseogee Paper Co., exploders,	.	2	00
"	6,	Boston & Maine R. R., freight on brick,	.	4	80
"	6,	Thomas F. Dwyer, rent for storage to July 1,	.	28	00
Aug.	3,	Pay roll, week ending July 11,	.	193	34
"	3,	" " " " 18,	.	244	49
"	3,	" " " " 25,	.	241	08
"	3,	Kidder Machine Co., repairs,	.	9	92
"	3,	Mechanics Iron Foundry Co., M. H. frames and covers,	.	87	94
"	3,	Boston & Maine R. R., freight on brick and castings,	.	12	00
"	3,	L. D. Sleeper, lumber,	.	1	50
"	3,	J. W. Dresser, cement,	.	134	75
"	3,	R. G. Burleigh, pipe and supplies,	.	239	30
"	3,	W. Q. Wells, repairing tools,	.	15	20
"	3,	Pay roll, week ending Aug. 1,	.	282	34
Sept.	7,	" " " " 8,	.	288	58
"	7,	" " " " 15,	.	189	62
"	7,	" " " " 22,	.	258	50
"	7,	" " " " 29,	.	224	55
"	7,	" " " Sept. 5,	.	262	26
"	7,	John E. Rines, four cars brick,	.	136	80
"	7,	Judkins & Wallace, supplies,	.	22	26
"	7,	W. Q. Wells, repairing tools,	.	3	20
"	7,	L. D. Sleeper, lumber,	.	6	20
"	7,	R. G. Burleigh, pipe and supplies,	.	217	75
"	7,	N. P. Renouf, oil,	.	1	28
"	7,	Machanics Iron Foundry Co., M. H. frames and covers,	.	74	72
"	7,	Frank Ely, repairing tools,	.	13	30
"	7,	Kidder Machine Co., repairs,	.	10	40
"	7,	Walter Burleigh, grade,	.	8	50
"	7,	Boston & Maine R. R., freight on brick and castings,	.	17	15

Oct.	5,	Pay roll, week ending Sept. 12,	\$244 17
"	5,	" " " 19,	171 84
"	5,	" " " 26,	202 35
"	5,	" " Oct. 3,	170 65
"	5,	Thomas F. Dwyer, rent for storage to Oct. 1,	12 00
"	5,	R. G. Burleigh, pipe and supplies,	56 92
"	5,	F. M. Edmunds, sand,	1 20
"	5,	Frank Ely, repairing tools,	14 70
"	5,	Boston & Maine R. R., freight on brick and castings,	8 00
"	5,	J. W. Dresser, cement,	103 25
Nov.	2,	Pay roll, week ending Oct. 10,	123 02
"	2,	" " " 17,	145 52
"	2,	" " " 24,	87 43
"	2,	F. M. Edmunds, sand,	60
"	2,	Frank L. Fuller, bill for services of engineers to Oct. 1, 1896,	504 00
"	2,	Mechanics Iron Foundry Co., M. H. frames and covers,	37 28
"	2,	R. G. Burleigh, pipe and supplies,	23 53
"	2,	R. G. Burleigh, pipe,	40 85
"	2,	W. Q. Wells, repairing tools,	25
Dec.	7,	T. F. Dwyer, rent for storage to Jan. 1, 1897,	12 00
"	7,	A. S. Ripley, lumber,	40 33
"	7,	Judkins & Wallace, supplies,	17 87
"	7,	E. C. Stone, dynamite and fuse,	43 10
"	7,	F. M. Edmunds, teaming,	4 73
"	7,	Howard & Clark, concreting around manholes,	18 25
"	7,	John E. Rines, brick,	36 00
"	7,	James H. Grayshan, oakum,	25
"	19,	Currier & Galnett, oakum,	1 40
"	19,	I. V. Goss, services as paymaster,	20 00
"	19,	J. D. Kirk, supplies,	2 26
"	19,	Frank L. Fuller, balance of bill for services of engineers,	144 35
			<hr/> \$5,807 78

REPAIRS OF SEWERS.

SCHOOL STREET SEWER.

Paid—

Apr. 6,	Pay roll, week ending Mar. 21,	.	\$38 85
" 6,	" " " 28,	..	12 60
May 2,	" " Apr. 25,	.	51 15
June 1,	" " June 2,	.	55 02
" 1,	R. G. Burleigh, pipe and supplies,		124 01
July 6,	A. C. Tilton, brick,	.	8 00
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			\$289 63

NORTH MAIN STREET SEWER.

Paid—

July 6,	Pay roll, week ending June 27,	.	\$36 60
Aug. 3,	" " July 18,	.	27 65
" 3,	R. G. Burleigh, pipe,	.	123 66
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			\$187 91

MISCELLANEOUS REPAIRS.

Paid—

July 6,	Pay roll, week ending June 13,		
	Pleasant street,	.	\$19 90
Aug. 3,	R. G. Burleigh, pipe,	.	4 32
" 3,	J. W. Dresser, cement,	.	16 90
Sept. 7,	Pay roll, week ending Aug. 29,	.	23 80
" 7,	R. G. Burleigh, pipe, Spring street,	.	30 59
" 7,	John E. Rines, brick,	.	13 20
Nov. 2,	R. G. Burleigh, pipe, Pearl street,	.	15 40
Dec. 7,	Pay roll, week ending Nov. 7,		
	Webster street,	.	38 65
" 19,	R. G. Burleigh, one grate,	.	1 31
" 19,	Judkins & Wallace, galv. iron,	.	16
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			\$164 23

SANBORN BRIDGE.

1896.

Appropriation,	\$6,000 00
Received for lumber (old bridge),	25 00

Paid —

Apr. 6, Pay roll, week ending Mar. 7, watching,	\$13 10
“ 6, A. S. Ripley, lumber,	92 02
“ 6, George S. Knox, bill for labor,	20 25
“ 6, C. M. Babbitt, bill for labor,	42 00
May 2, Kidder Machine Co., bolts, rods, &c., for truss,	32 73
“ 2, G. F. Prescott, lumber,	1 30
June 1, R. G. Burleigh, spikes and nails,	6 76
July 6, Pay roll, week ending June 20, grading,	51 90
“ 6, Pay roll, week ending June 27, grading,	22 10
“ 6, Derby & Morse, placing light on bridge,	8 50
Aug. 3, Berlin Iron Bridge Co., bridge,	3,270 00
“ 3, J. W. Dresser, cement,	8 25
“ 3, F. M. Edmunds, labor of teams,	60 63
“ 3, Ellis & Buswell, abut- ments,	3,969 38
“ 3, Kidder Machine Co., re- pairs of tools,	6 68
Dec. 7, J. W. Dresser, superin- tendent of construc- tion,	100 00

Dec. 19, Kidder Machine Co., fence and labor,	\$125 80	
“ 19, Ellis & Buswell, extra labor on stone,	192 54	
“ 19, City teams, drawing stone (credited to highway account),	35 00	
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	\$8,058 94	
Balance to transfer account, over- drawn,		\$2,033 94
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	\$8,058 94	\$8,058 94

SEWER ACCOUNT — 1895.

1896. Paid—

Feb. 3, Frank L. Fuller, bill for services of engineers,	\$569 07	
“ 3, F. M. Edmunds, sand,	1 70	
“ 3, W. H. Nelson, two pair rubber mittens,	3 00	
“ 3, Winnipiseogee Paper Co., lumber,	41 37	
Mar. 2, W. Aikens' Sons, sack- ing, drills and glass,	15 33	
Apr. 6, Winnipiseogee Paper Co., pipe,	19 97	
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	\$650 44	

Received of C. C. Bucklin, for stone,		\$45 00
Balance to transfer account,		605 44
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	\$650 44	\$650 44

HIGHWAY ACCOUNT — 1895.

1896. Paid —

May 2, Franklin Mills, grade, .	\$12 20	
“ 2, P. Gahagan, brick, .	2 50	
June 1, S. A. Howard, balance		
bill, concrete, .	92 80	
“ 1, R. G. Burleigh, pipe, .	52	
Dec. 19, A. W. Jones, bill break-		
ing roads, . . .	9 12	
	<u>\$117 14</u>	
Carried to transfer account, .		\$117 14
	<u>\$117 14</u>	<u>\$117 14</u>

SCHOOL MONEY.

1896.

Apr. 6, Appropriation,	\$13,730 00
May 4, Special appropriation for repairs of	
Nesmith school,	3,000 00

Paid —

Frank Proctor, treasurer,	\$16,730 00	
	<u>\$16,730 00</u>	<u>\$16,730 00</u>

STATE AND COUNTY TAX.

1896.

Apr. 1, Appropriation, \$15,876 68

Paid—

Dec. 7, Warren Abbott, treasurer, county tax, . \$8,346 68

19, Solon A. Carter, treasurer, state tax,	7,530 00
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\$15,876 68 \$15,876 68

SUMMARY.

Notes,	\$30,289	38
Interest,	7,237	00
Highway department,	10,921	57
Police department,	1,240	44
City poor,	556	99
County poor,	2,731	99
Fire department,	2,550	03
Salaries,	1,393	00
Memorial day,	100	00
Memorial hall,	1,692	17
Incidentals,	1,517	23
Schools,	16,730	00
State and county tax,	15,876	68
Sanborn bridge,	8,023	94
Sewers,	6,449	55
Sewer account — 1895,	650	44
Highway account — 1895,	117	14
Street lighting,	3,352	50
Damage by dogs,	2	25
	<u>\$111,432</u>	<u>30</u>

TRANSFER ACCOUNT

TRANSFER BALANCES

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Total appropriations, . . .	\$68,991 68
Appropriations overdrawn —	
Fire Department, . . .	50 03
Highways, . . .	3,251 77
Memorial Hall, . . .	320 92
Incidentals, . . .	117 23
Sanborn bridge, . . .	2,033 94
Sewers, . . .	1,307 00
Tax abatements, . . .	648 09
Tax discounts, . . .	1,340 27
Sewer account — 1895, . . .	605 44
Highway account — 1895, . . .	117 14

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By Sundry receipts, . . .	\$18,182 00
“ Water commissioners, . . .	2,000 00
“ Coupons unpaid, . . .	64 00
“ Street lighting unexpended, . . .	32 50
“ Police department unexpended, . . .	320 37
“ City poor unexpended, . . .	43 01
“ Salaries unexpended, . . .	7 00
“ Interest unexpended, . . .	63 00
“ Tax list, 1896, . . .	45,196 06
“ Balance deficit 1896, . . .	12,875 57
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	\$78,783 51 \$78,783 51

BALANCE SHEET

LIABILITIES.

Bonds 1885,	\$40,000 00
Memorial Hall bonds,	30,000 00
Water Works debt,	94,000 00
Franklin Savings Bank, note,	4,000 00
Edgerly & Crocker, note,	20,000 00
Coupons unpaid,	96 00
	<hr/> \$188,096 00

RESOURCES.

Tax list 1896,	\$3,811 71
Due from Merrimack county,	2,731 99
Cash in treasury,	1,287 66
Balance indebtedness,	180,264 64
	<hr/> \$188,096 00

Net debt from report, 1895,	\$167,389 07
Deficit 1896, from transfer account,	12,875 57
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Net debt Dec. 31, 1896,	\$180,264 64

Included in the deficit for 1896 are outstanding bills from 1895 amounting to \$722 58

INVENTORY

The following is an inventory of property owned by the city of Franklin as made by the committee appointed by the city council :

Memorial Hall,	\$47,000 00
Old Town Hall,	1,000 00
High School building and furniture,	40,000 00
New school building on School street,	17,000 00
Nesmith school building,	12,000 00
Shaw Corner school building,	450 00
Webster Place school building,	500 00
Call school building,	400 00
Simonds school building,	400 00
Pond school building,	400 00
Morrison school building,	350 00
Babbitt school building,	500 00
Kelley school building,	400 00
Engine house in Ward 1,	1,000 00
Engine house in Ward 2,	2,000 00
Spring lot on Prospect street,	150 00
Daniel Webster steamer,	1,500 00
Hose wagon,	300 00
Hook and ladder truck and equipments,	300 00
Four hose reels,	200 00
Four thousand feet hose,	1,000 00
Hand engine and equipments, Ward 1,	300 00
Park at Webster Lake,	1,500 00
Water works,	106,000 00
Sewer department, stock and tools on hand,	425 00
Highway department as itemized in Highway Commissioners' report,	1,389 25
Old lobby and land,	600 00
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	\$237,064 25

TAX COLLECTOR'S REPORT.

Balance uncollected, 1895 list,	\$1,543 69	
Interest on taxes, 1895 list, .	10 58	
Paid Frank Proctor, treasurer,		\$1,526 22
Abatement by assessors, 1895 list,		28 05
	<u>\$1,554 27</u>	<u>\$1,554 27</u>

1896.

Amount on collector's list,	\$45,131 40	
Subsequently assessed,	64 66	
Discounts,		\$1,340 27

Abatements —

Erroneous assessment, \$280 65		
Poverty and death, . 236 79		
Orphan's home, . 102 60		
	<u>620 04</u>	
Paid treasurer,		39,424 04
Balance uncollected, .		3,811,71
	<u>\$45,196 06</u>	<u>\$45,196 06</u>

I. V. Goss, *Collector*.

TREASURER'S REPORT

RECEIPTS.

Balance from last year,	\$198 42
Merrimack county, indigent soldiers,	255 58
Merrimack county, paupers,	2,082 62
Borrowed from Franklin Savings Bank,	10,000 00
" " National Bank,	19,000 00
" Edgerly & Crocker,	20,000 00
Memorial Hall receipts,	671 25
Police court,	560 81
Fine and costs, unlicensed dog,	10 00
Dog licenses,	468 19
Show licenses,	127 67
Merry-go-round license,	6 50
Pool and bowling licenses,	40 00
Peddlers' licenses,	5 00
Street sprinkler subscriptions,	316 50
Reimbursements, highways,	13 30
" sidewalks,	305 00
" bridges,	25 00
Sewer receipts —	
Stone sold,	45 00
Connections,	142 55
Permits,	1,034 00
Rents,	8 00
State, insurance tax,	71 25
" railroad tax,	10,527 47
" savings bank tax,	5,385 19
" literary fund,	470 40
I. V. Goss, collector, taxes, 1895,	1,515 64
I. V. Goss, interest on taxes,	10 58
I. V. Goss, collector, taxes, 1896,	39,424 04
	\$112,719 96

DISBURSEMENTS.

Paid orders of mayor and council, Nos.

521 to 1,038 inclusive,	.	.	.	\$111,432	30
Balance in treasury,	.	.	.	1,287	66
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				\$112,719	96

FRANK PROCTOR,
Treasurer.

PARK COMMISSIONERS

REPORT

Cash on hand as by last report,	.	.	\$794 00
Interest on same,	.	.	22 47
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			\$816 47
Paid H. E. Blake for labor,	.	\$15 75	
Paid James N. Matthews for labor,		3 50	
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		\$19 25	
			\$19 25
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Balance in treasury,	.	.	\$797 22

Respectfully submitted,

I. N. BLODGETT,	}	<i>Park Commissioners.</i>
GEO. E. BUELL,		
E. G. LEACH,		
GEO. R. STONE,		
F. N. PARSONS,		
G. G. FELLOWS,		

FINANCE COMMITTEE

REPORT

To the City Council of the City of Franklin:

The committee on finance have examined the books of the city clerk and treasurer, and find the same correctly kept. They have also checked off the interest coupons paid during the year amounting to \$6,544, and have destroyed the same. We submit herewith the report of the accountant employed under vote of the city council Dec. 19, 1896.

E. H. STURTEVANT,	}	<i>For Com.</i>
G. W. GRIFFIN,		<i>on Finance.</i>

ACCOUNTANT'S REPORT.

To the City Council of the City of Franklin:

I have carefully examined and verified the books and accounts of the city clerk, treasurer, tax collector, board of water commissioners, superintendent of the water works, board of education, overseer of the poor, park commission, and city marshal, and find the same correctly cast, with proper vouchers corresponding to all expenditures, and all receipts properly accounted for, and find the following balances to the credit of the city:

STATEMENT.

Treasurer,	\$1,349 24
Less outstanding checks,	61 58
Balance on the books of the city clerk,	<u>\$1,287 66</u>

Water commissioners,	\$321 74
Less outstanding checks,	40 03
Balance on the books of F. N. Parsons, clerk,	<u>\$281 71</u>

Park commission —

On deposit in Franklin Savings Bank (book No. 8,574)	\$771 24
In hands of George R. Stone,	25 98
	<u>\$797 22</u>

Board of education,	\$425 33
Less outstanding checks,	37 85
	<u>\$387 48</u>

And there is due the city from Merrimack county on —

Pauper account,	\$2,399 59
Dependent soldiers,	332 40
	<u>\$2,731 99</u>

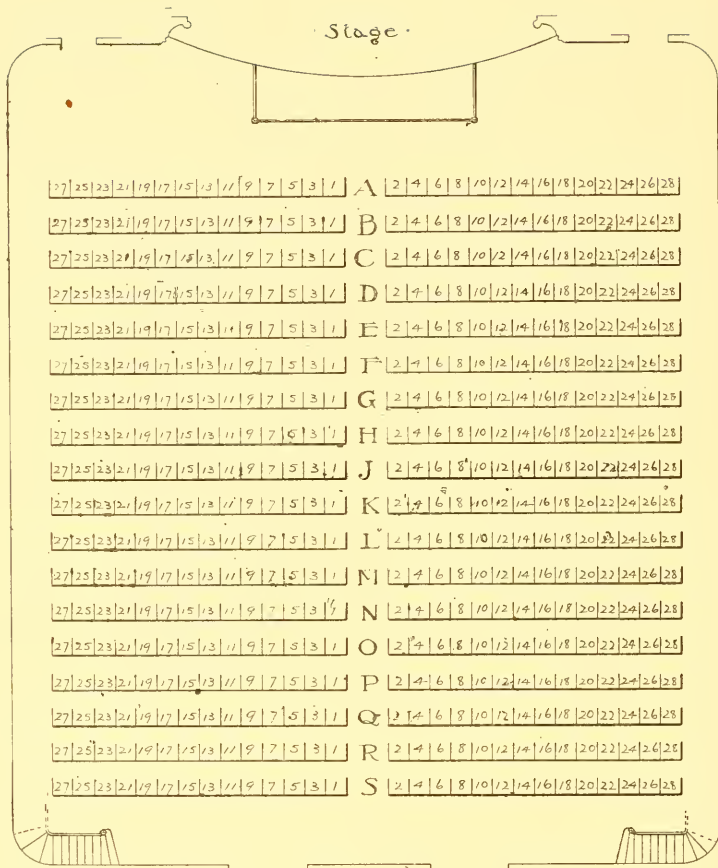
From tax list of 1896,	\$3,811 71
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EDRICK S. AVERY,
Accountant.

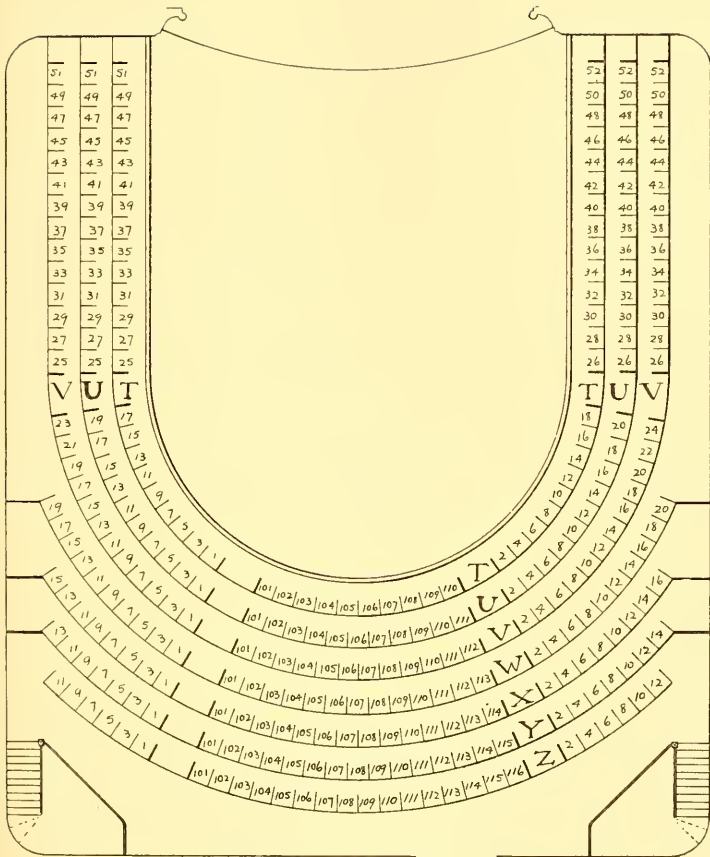
FRANKLIN FALLS, N. H., Jan. 1, 1897.



MEMORIAL HALL.



MEMORIAL HALL—ORCHESTRA PLAN.



MEMORIAL HALL—BALCONY PLAN.

BOARD OF HEALTH REPORT

BOARD OF HEALTH

REPORT

To the City Council of the City of Franklin:

We have not suffered severely in this community from effects of contagious diseases during the year just past, there having occurred only five cases of typhoid fever, one of diphtheria, and eleven of measles. The above cases occurred in various places and at various times during the year, but were isolated, and disinfection was practiced as well as possible, so that in each case the possibility of an epidemic was at once destroyed. The exact media of contagion in three of the typhoid cases could not be traced, but in the other two it was readily traced to the well water which they were drinking. The case of diphtheria was apparently contracted in Canada, as the people had just returned from a visit there, and there were cases of diphtheria in the town where they visited at the time.

After the heavy rains during the winter the city water was suspected by many citizens of being polluted; consequently the board of health had several samples analyzed, the work being done by two separate parties, Edmund R. Angell of Derry, N. H., and Ellen H. Richards of the Massachusetts Institute of Technology. The results, however, were very similar. Following is an analysis made by Edmund R. Angell, with his remarks:

SANITARY ANALYSIS OF WATER.

BOARD OF HEALTH,
FRANKLIN FALLS, N. H., }
S. W. JONES, *Secy.*

Odor,	Disagreeable
Color,	Nearly colorless
Evaporation,	Nearly quiet
Residue,	Quite uniform and nearly colorless
Ignition of residue,	It darkens some
Solids, grains per gallon,	3.0
Loss on ignition of residue,	1.1
Hardness, degrees,	1.0
Alkalinity, degrees,	1.0
Chlorine, grains per gallon,	0.1
Free ammonia, part per million,	0.084
Albuminoid ammonia, part per million,	0.068
Nitric acid,	Little
Nitrous acid,	None
Poisonous metals,	None
Iron,	Mere trace
Sediment,	Very little
Microscopic examination,	
Some decomposing vegetable material	
Oxygen for oxidation, grains per gallon,	0.32

REMARKS.

Your public water is rather better than the water of public supplies averages; coming from springs it is better than ordinary pond or lake water; consequently it is not surprising that your people should be quick to notice the difference after the inflow of some surface water, for the presence of surface water, without doubt, is the cause of the odor and taste.

People drinking pond water are using surface water, to some extent, all the time. I was unable to detect any odor in the first sample you sent me, even in the first portion of the distillate, where the odor, if any, would be concentrated. Odors very readily escape from water, especially when they are added to the water as

such, rather than arise within the water from putrifying substances. And right here is a favorable indication: The rain you mention was unusually severe; it literally flooded the country; all the odors arising from the ground were dissolved by it and carried into the rivers and water basins; and some of it entered the springs of your water system as odors when they entered it; but they will soon escape; the taste came in the same way. If the odor and taste arose from decaying substances in the water they would be more persistent; and, indeed, the organic matter is not there to decay, as the analysis shows. Just consider that the total solids are hardly more than two grains to the gallon, and the larger part of this is mineral matter, such as carbonate and sulphate of lime, chloride of sodium and dissolved sand.

It is perfectly safe to use this water; it is a good deal better than the most of people have who depend upon aqueduct water.

Very truly yours,

EDMUND R. ANGELL.

Following is an analysis made by Ellen H. Richards, with her remarks:

SANITARY WATER ANALYSIS.

Parts in 100,000.

Date of collection, Franklin Falls, N. H., Feb. 28, 1896

Date of examination, Feb. 29, 1896

Appearance —

Turbidity,	.	.	.	.	.	.	None
Sediment,	.	.	.	.	.	.	None
Color,	.	.	.	.	.	.	0.02

Odor —

Cold,	.	.	.	.	Distinctly disagreeable
Hot,	.	.	.	.	Distinctly disagreeable

Residue on evaporation —

Total,	.	.	.	.	.	.	—
Loss on ignition,	.	.	.	.	.	.	—
Fixed,	.	.	.	.	.	.	—

Albuminoid ammonia —

In solution,	.	.	.	.	.	.	—
In suspension,	.	.	.	.	.	.	—
Total,	.	.	.	.	.	.	.0046
Free ammonia,	.	.	.	.	.	.	.0058
As nitrites,	.	.	.	.	.	.	None
As nitrates,	.	.	.	.	.	.	.0400
Oxygen consumed,	.	.	.	.	.	.	—
Chlorine,	.	.	.	.	.	.	.20
Hardness,	.	.	.	.	.	.	1.9

REMARKS.

I have examined the sample of water received from you, and enclose the results obtained.

As you see, the free ammonia and the odor are the only indications of any trouble. The low nitrates, chlorine, and absence of nitrites, indicate the absence of sewage pollution. The odor is very similar to that which we have found when a few angle worms have died in a well or spring. It takes very few of them to cause a very disagreeable odor. It is quite possible that the heavy rains of which you speak may have washed in such decaying matter. I should think this might be removed by cleaning. The only other explanation which occurs to me is that of insufficient ventilation; but that would not so readily account for the free ammonia.

Yours truly,

ELLEN H. RICHARDS.

These analyses signify that as yet our public water supply is in good condition as regards purity, these samples having been taken when there was more cause for pollution than at any other time during the year.

During the year analysis has shown several wells in our midst to be polluted. Further use of water from the same was discontinued.

We suggest that citizens, in the thickly settled part of the city, who are still using well water, make themselves certain that their supply is pure, and not causing disease and trouble in their families.

We also hope that the citizens of Franklin, as well as all owners of property here, will co-operate more fully with the board of health in bettering sanitary conditions.

JOHN W. STAPLES,	}	<i>Board of Health.</i>
ERVIN T. DRAKE,		
SETH W. JONES.		

SEWER REPORT

SEWER CONSTRUCTION

ENGINEER'S REPORT.

To the City Council of the City of Franklin:

Gentlemen:

The following report on the construction and tabulated statement of the cost of sewers constructed during the year 1896 is respectfully submitted.

Work was begun on the Central street sewer at Chestnut street, June 24, 1896. From this point the six-inch sewer was extended easterly for a distance of 296 feet.

A six-inch sewer was then laid in Chestnut street from Central street 504 feet northerly to the end of the street, and on Pearl street, from Central to Park street, a distance of 709 feet.

On upper Maple street a six-inch sewer was laid from Central street to a manhole in front of Mr. John Dresser's house, and on Lower Maple street from Central to Sanborn street, a total distance of 725 feet, and on Sanborn street from Maple street to Park street, a distance of 316 feet.

Work on Hill road was commenced July 30. On this street ledge was encountered from the starting point on Central street and extended nearly continuous to a point above Mr. Aiken's driveway, a distance of about 500 feet. Above Park street a troublesome quicksand with

boiling springs delayed progress to some extent. Notwithstanding these difficulties the whole distance of 1,078 feet from Central to Proctor street was completed in a little over one month.

On Proctor street a six-inch sewer was laid from Hill road easterly, a distance of 111 feet, and a chimney was built at the end for the purpose of examination and flushing.

A six-inch sewer was laid in Park street from Hill road easterly 304 feet, to a manhole near the N. E. corner of Sanborn cemetery, and from Sanborn street to Pearl street, a distance of 316 feet.

This completed the work on Willow hill for this year and work was commenced, Sept. 18, on a six-inch sewer for Grove and Elkins streets, south of Winnipiseogee street.

The material in these streets was found to be quicksand below about five feet of sand and gravel. As it was necessary to keep the sewer on Grove street down about ten feet below the surface, the cost on both these streets was somewhat more than was estimated. The sewer on Grove street extends from the 15-inch outlet sewer to Elkins street, on Elkins street from Grove to Winnipiseogee street.

This work was completed Oct. 13th.

By vote of the City Council Oct. 5, your engineer was instructed to construct a twelve-inch drain from the outlet of a surface water sewer near the foot of Winnipiseogee street to the Winnipiseogee river, a distance of 420 feet, in accordance with the profile presented.

Work on this drain was begun Oct. 13, and finished Oct. 19, at a cost of \$291.74.

All branches put in this year have been four-inch, because house drains, with few exceptions, are this size.

No accident whatever has occurred to men on completed work during the season.

From an examination of the sewer on Bow street I am convinced that proper care is not exercised with regard to what reaches the sewer. Such waste materials as vegetables from the sink which should be placed in the

garbage pail, should not be introduced into the sewer and abutters should be cautioned against this practice.

It is of the greatest importance that the sewers should be flushed frequently, say, once a month.

Good progress has been made throughout the whole course of the work, and the cost has been very close to the original estimate.

Respectfully submitted,

F. L. FULLER, *Civil Engineer.*

Boston, Dec. 11, 1896.

WATER COMMISSIONERS REPORT

BOARD OF WATER COMMISSIONERS

ALVAH W. SULLOWAY,
FRANK L. MORRISON,
E. B. S. SANBORN,
EDWARD G. LEACH,
FRANK N. PARSONS,
EUGENE S. DANIELL.

CLERK,
FRANK N. PARSONS.

SUPERINTENDENT.
EPHRAIM L. WALLACE.

BOARD OF WATER COMMISSIONERS

REPORT.

To the City Council of the City of Franklin :

The Water Commissioners of the City of Franklin respectfully submit the following report for the year 1896 :

FINANCIAL.

The Board of Water Commissioners in account with the City of Franklin.

1896.

DR.

Jan. 1,	To balance from last report,	.	\$139 30
Dec. 31,	" collected for water rents,	.	5,543 32
	" collected on service account,	.	336 98
			<hr/> \$6,019 60

CR.

By amount paid on maintenance acct.,	.	\$1,938 64
" " " service, "	.	1,232 55
" " " meter, "	.	406 70
" " " debt, "	.	2,000 00
" " " interest, "	.	160 00
Balance,		281 71
		<hr/> \$6,019 60

EXPENDITURE FOR MAINTENANCE.

EXPENSE.

Feb.	6, Frank L. Fuller, blue prints,	\$ 86
"	6, E. L. Wallace, labor,	8 40
"	6, Cash paid by Supt. for labor, tele- phone and sundries,	17 55
Mar.	4, E. L. Wallace, labor,	13 20
"	4, Cash paid by Supt. for labor, and cartage,	27 16
Apr.	6, E. L. Wallace, labor,	33 00
"	6, Cash paid by Supt. for labor, en- velopes, freight and cartage,	32 28
May	4, Judkins & Wallace, labor,	3 38
"	4, Edmund R. Angell, water analy- sis,	3 30
"	4, E. L. Wallace, labor,	90
"	4, Cash paid by Supt. for telephone and freight,	6 95
June	1, Cash paid by Supt. for sundries,	85
"	1, Judkins & Wallace, labor and sun- dries,	1 70
"	1, Kidder Machine Co., Albany grease,	2 03
July	7, R. G. Burleigh, shovels, hammers, pipe and fittings,	8 62
"	7, Walworth Manufacturing Co., fit- tings,	2 10
"	7, Judkins & Wallace, labor and sun- dries,	1 62
"	7, E. L. Wallace, labor,	39 30
"	7, Cash paid by Supt. for labor, tele- phone and sundries,	18 06
"	7, Frank N. Parsons, salary to July 1, 1896,	50 00
Aug.	5, Frank P. Symonds, oil,	2 50
"	5, Judkins & Wallace, labor,	75
"	5, Cash paid by Supt. for oil, tele- phone and sundries,	23 04
"	5, Cash paid by Supt. for labor,	3 25

Sept.	3,	Judkins & Wallace, labor, . . .	\$ 60
"	3,	Vacuum Oil Co., oil, . . .	25 25
	12,	Margaret A. Deviney, services on accounts, . . .	50 00
Oct.	3,	E. L. Wallace, labor, . . .	27 60
"	3,	Cash paid by Supt. for labor and envelopes, . . .	10 87
Nov.	5,	Judkins & Wallace, labor, . . .	1 50
"	5,	E. L. Wallace, labor, . . .	60
"	5,	Cash paid by Supt. for express and telephone, . . .	8 40
Dec.	2,	Judkins & Wallace, labor, . . .	5 10
"	2,	E. L. Wallace, labor, . . .	3 60
"	2,	Cash paid by Supt. for labor, printing and sundries, . . .	7 95
"	28,	E. L. Wallace, labor, . . .	32 40
"	28,	Cash paid by Supt. for wood, coal, printing, envelopes, labor and sundries, . . .	45 79
"	28,	Judkins & Wallace, labor, . . .	36 90
"	28,	Margaret A. Deviney, services on accounts, . . .	25 00
"	28,	Frank N. Parsons, salary to Dec. 31, 1896, . . .	50 00
"	28,	E. L. Wallace, collections and ac- counts, use of team and care of pump 366 days at \$1.50, . . .	549 00
			<hr/> \$1,181 36

REPAIRS.

Feb.	6,	Gilchrist and Taylor, gate valve,	\$2 82
"	6,	Judkins & Wallace, labor, . . .	10 05
"	6,	E. L. Wallace, labor, . . .	3 00
"	6,	Cash paid by Supt. for labor, . . .	1 09
Mar.	4,	Judkins & Wallace, labor and sun- dries, . . .	21 32
"	4,	Shepard Grocery Co., cement, . . .	3 50

Mar.	4, Kidder Machine Co., labor, pipe and fittings,	\$15 59
"	4, E. L. Wallace, labor,	7 95
"	4, Cash paid by Supt. for labor,	4 93
Apr.	6, E. L. Wallace, labor,	9 15
"	6, Cash paid by Supt. for labor,	7 90
"	6, National Meter Co., meter repairs,	21 35
"	6, Judkins & Wallace, labor and sundries,	18 98
May	4, Hersey Manufacturing Co., discs,	2 25
"	4, Judkins & Wallace, labor, pipe and oil,	29 22
"	4, Kidder Machine Co., valves and fittings,	6 05
"	4, E. L. Wallace, labor,	12 30
"	4, Judkins & Wallace, lead,	2 28
"	4, Cash paid by Supt. for labor and cartage,	14 54
June	1, Judkins & Wallace, labor,	4 11
"	1, E. L. Wallace, labor,	5 70
"	1, Cash paid by Supt. for labor,	19 40
July	7, Shepard Grocery Co., cement,	1 45
"	7, Judkins & Wallace, labor,	18 83
"	7, E. L. Wallace, labor,	12 15
"	3, Cash paid by Supt. for labor,	2 59
Aug.	5, Shepard Grocery Co., cement,	1 60
"	5, Jason Kidder, labor and fittings,	47 77
"	5, Kidder Machine Co., labor and sundries,	5 51
"	5, Judkins & Wallace, labor and sundries,	6 23
"	5, E. L. Wallace, labor,	2 40
"	5, Cash paid by Supt. for labor,	2 18
Sept.	3, E. L. Wallace, labor,	90
"	3, Cash paid by Supt. for labor,	17 24
"	3, Judkins & Wallace, labor, pipe and fittings,	2 20
"	3, Kidder Machine Co, labor and packing,	1 30
Oct.	3, Judkins & Wallace, labor,	4 35

Oct.	3, E. L. Wallace, labor,	\$1 80
"	3, Cash paid by Supt. for labor,	1 45
"	3, Judkins & Wallace, labor and fittings,	7 76
Nov.	5, E. L. Wallace, labor,	4 20
"	5, Cash paid by Supt. for labor and lumber at pumping station,	13 48
"	5, Walworth Manufacturing Co., fittings,	4 16
"	5, McNeal Pipe and Foundry Co. pipe,	121 35
Dec.	2, Kidder Machine Co., labor and fittings,	6 95
"	2, Ludlow Valve Manufacturing Co., valves,	40 50
"	2, Judkins & Wallace, labor,	12 15
"	2, Walworth Manufacturing Co, lead joint runner and cutter wheels,	5 40
"	2, E. L. Wallace, labor,	4 20
"	2, Cash paid by Supt. for freight and labor,	63 87
	28, E. L. Wallace, labor,	2 10
"	28, Cash paid by Supt. for labor and cartage,	8 50
"	28, Belknap Iron and Brass Foundry, gate-cock castings,	11 25
"	28, Hersey Manufacturing Co., fittings,	12 60
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		\$671 90

REPAIR OF PUMP.

May	4, Kidder Machine Co., labor and sundries,	\$35 38
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TOOLS.

Apr.	6, Union Water Meter Co., lining press and three sets cones,	\$50 00
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INTEREST.

Dec. 28, Franklin Savings Bank, one year's interest on note dated July 2, 1894,	160 00
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TOTAL EXPENDITURE FOR MAINTENANCE.

Expense,	\$1,181 36
Repairs,	671 90
Pump repairs,	35 38
Tools,	50 00
	<u>\$1,938 64</u>

INCOME ACCOUNT.

1896.

Jan. 1, Balance,	\$9,481 79
Dec. 31, Received for water rents,	5,543 32
	<u>\$15,025 11</u>
Deduct maintenance,	\$1,938 64
Deduct interest,	160 00
	<u>2,098 64</u>
Balance of income,	\$12,926 47

DEBT.

1896.

Dec. 31, Franklin Savings Bank on \$5,000 note,	\$2,000 00
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EXPENDITURE FOR CONSTRUCTION.

SERVICES.

Feb.	6, George Woodman Co., fittings, .	\$11 25
"	6, Walworth Manufacturing Co., service boxes,	7 80
"	6, E. L. Wallace, labor,	10 20
"	6, Cash paid by Supt. for labor, express and cartage,	24 14
Apr.	6, Geo. Woodman Co., fittings, .	23 45
May	4, Geo. Woodman Co., pipe and fittings,	32 65
"	4, Gilchrist & Taylor, pipe,	37 82
"	4, Judkins & Wallace, pipe and sundries,	3 78
"	4, E. L. Wallace, labor,	7 20
"	4, Cash paid by Supt. for labor,	9 25
June	1, George E. Gilchrist, fittings, .	25 01
"	1, Walworth Manufacturing Co., service boxes and cement,	22 00
"	1, Judkins & Wallace, labor and sundries,	3 98
"	1, E. L. Wallace, labor,	38 10
"	1, Cash paid by Supt. for labor, freight, and cartage	81 67
July	7, Kidder Machine Co., labor and sundries,	6 63
"	7, Judkins & Wallace, labor and solder,	6 06
"	7, E. L. Wallace, labor,	12 90
"	7, Cash paid by Supt. for labor, freight and cartage,	32 42
Aug.	5, Hersey Manufacturing Co., meter and connections,	8 40
"	5, Walworth Manufacturing Co., pipe and fittings,	119 18
"	5, John B. Varick, picks and shovels,	7 00
"	5, Judkins & Wallace, labor,	2 10

Aug.	5,	E. L. Wallace, labor,	\$66 90
"	5,	Cash paid by Supt. for labor, freight and cartage,	140 05
Sept.	3,	E. L. Wallace, labor,	19 50
"	3,	Cash paid by Supt. for labor and freight,	101 62
"	3,	Judkins & Wallace, labor and sun- dries,	11 65
"	3,	Kidder Machine Co., pipe and fit- tings,	7 09
"	3,	Lead Lined Iron Pipe Co., fit- tings,	66 92
Oct.	3,	Walworth Manufacturing Co., brass screws,	1 20
"	3,	Kidder Machine Co., pipe and fit- tings,	81 84
"	3,	Judkins & Wallace, labor and sun- dries,	3 90
"	3,	E. L. Wallace, labor,	3 60
"	3,	Cash paid by Supt. for labor, freight and cartage,	8 12
"	3,	Judkins & Wallace, labor and lead pipe,	9 80
Nov.	5,	E. L. Wallace, labor,	9 30
"	5,	Cash paid by Supt. for labor and cartage,	51 58
"	5,	Geo. Woodman Co., pipe and fit- tings,	28 78
"	5,	Judkins & Wallace, labor,	3 30
Dec.	2,	E. L. Wallace, labor,	3 90
"	2,	Cash paid by Supt. for labor, freight and cartage,	8 86
"	28,	E. L. Wallace, labor,	4 50
"	28,	Cash paid by Supt. for labor,	7 97
"	28,	Builders Iron Foundry Co., fit- tings,	59 18
			<hr/> \$1,232 55
Less amount collected on service account,			336 98
Net expenditure for services,			<hr/> \$895 57

METERS.

Feb. 6, National Meter Co., meters,	.	\$60 00
Mar. 4, Hersey Manufacturing Co., meters		
and connections,	. . .	42 25
June 1, National Meter Co., meters,	.	120 00
Oct. 3, " " " "	. . .	
and connections,	. . .	136 20
Nov. 5, National Meter Co., meters,	.	45 00
Dec. 28, National Meter Co., meter covers		
and gaskets,	. . . . .	3 25
		<u>\$406 70</u>

TOTAL EXPENDITURE FOR CONSTRUCTION.

Services, net,	. . . . .	\$895 57
Meters,	. . . . .	<u>406 70</u>
		\$1,302 27
Construction to Jan. 1, 1896,	.	<u>80,342 49</u>
Total construction to Jan. 1,		
1897,	. . . . .	\$81,644 76
Land, water and power,	. . .	<u>25,000 00</u>
Total expenditure to Jan. 1,		
1897,	. . . . .	\$106,644 76
Less balance income account,	.	<u>12,926 47</u>
Net cost to Jan. 1, 1897,	.	\$93,718 29

1896.

Jan. 1, Amount borrowed by		
town, previously re-		
ported,	. . . . .	\$96,000 00
Dec. 28, Less payment by com-		
missioners,	. . . . .	<u>2,000 00</u>
Net investment,	. . . . .	94,000 00
Cash on hand,	. . . . .	<u>281 71</u>
		\$93,718 29

BALANCE SHEET.

DR.		
To capital invested,	.	\$94,000 00
To balance income, .	.	12,926 47
		<u>\$106,926 47</u>
CR.		
By cost of plant,	.	\$106,644 76
By cash on hand,	.	281 71
		<u>\$106,926 47</u>

PUBLIC SERVICE ESTIMATE.

Sixty-nine public hydrants at \$30,	.	\$2,070 00
Three watering troughs,	.	150 00
One drinking fountain,	.	50 00
Two watering carts,	.	200 00
Water for flushing sewers,	.	100 00
“ engine house,	.	10 00
“ school house,	.	50 00
“ town hall,	.	50 00
		<u>\$2,680 00</u>

HYDRANTS SET IN 1896.

Winnipiseogee Paper Co.,	.	3
Previously reported,	.	80
		<u>83</u>
Total,	.	
Number of gates set, 95.		

SERVICE PIPE LAID IN 1896.

Galvanized iron, one-half inch,	534 feet	
Galvanized iron, three-fourths inch,	348 "	
Cement lined iron, three-fourths inch,	1,167 "	
Cement lined iron, one inch, .	117 "	
Cement lined iron, one and one- fourth inch,	1,641 "	
Total laid 1896,	3,807 feet	
Previously reported,	28,884 "	
Total,	32,691 feet or 6.2 miles	
Length of iron mains,	49,045 feet or 9.3 miles	
Total,	81,736 "	15.5 miles
Number of services added in 1896,		38
Number of taps, or connections of service pipe with mains,		22
Number of families connected in 1896,		54
Number of taps not in use,		8

CONSUMPTION.

Number of persons using water, . . .	2,900
Total population on line of pipes, . . .	3,800
Total population of city,	5,135
Number of families,	601
Number of families, hose only,	19
Hotels,	2
Steam engine,	5
Mills and shops,	6
Churches,	5
Street sprinkler posts,	6
Public watering troughs and fountains, . . .	4
School house,	2
Railroad station,	2
Stores and offices,	80
Printing offices,	2
City hall,	1
Gas Co.,	1
Motors,	4
Laundries,	2
Stables,	7
Automatic sprinkler service,	10
Leaks repaired: Service pipes, 10; frozen service pipes, 3.	
Mains: Joint leaks, 3; gates, 2.	

METERS SET IN 1896.

STYLE.	SIZE.	NO.
Crown,	5-8 inch	15
Nash,	5-8 inch	17
Hersey,	5-8 inch	6
Total,		38
Set previously,		502
Total,		540

RECORD OF PUMPING SERVICE.

1896.

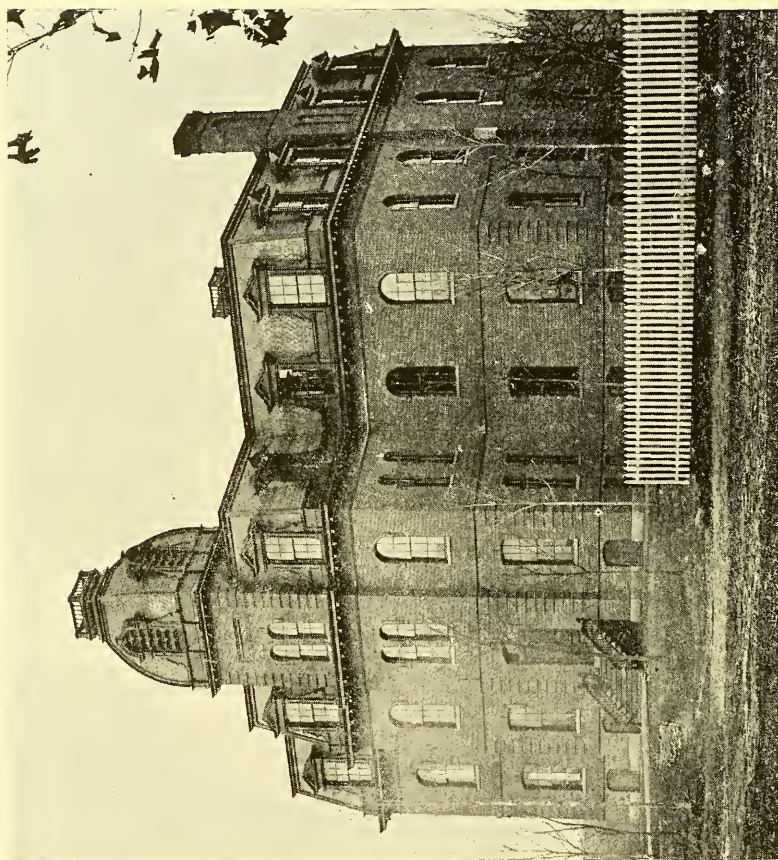
	Maximum gallons	Minimum gallons	Average gallons	Total pumpage per month
Jan.	226,950	111,942	195,162	6,050,220
Feb.	240,000	95,500	202,143	5,862,155
Mar.	240,000	150,345	205,140	6,359,345
Apr.	246,150	139,710	211,902	6,357,055
May.	262,930	78,000	218,809	6,783,093
June.	331,500	99,000	228,167	6,845,000
July.	327,000	87,000	217,468	6,741,500
Aug.	307,500	120,000	239,080	7,411,500
Sept.	288,705	110,100	244,329	7,329,864
Oct.	295,500	117,460	248,951	7,717,480
Nov.	292,500	127,500	244,650	7,339,500
Dec.	294,000	160,500	253,016	7,843,500
Total,	.	.	.	82,640,212

Daily average, 225,793 gallons.

1892,	.	.	.	.	.	.	181,732 gallons
1893,	.	.	.	.	.	.	267,397 "
1894,	.	.	.	.	.	.	197,836 "
1895,	.	.	.	.	.	.	217,552 "
1896,	.	.	.	.	.	.	225,793 "

ALVAH W. SULLOWAY,	}	<i>Commissioners.</i>
FRANK L. MORRISON,		
E. B. S. SANBORN,		
EDWARD G. LEACH,		
FRANK N. PARSONS,		
EUGENE S. DANIELL,		

Franklin, N. H., Dec. 31, 1896.



HIGH SCHOOL BUILDING.

**BOARD OF EDUCATION
REPORT**

SCHOOL OFFICERS

BOARD OF EDUCATION.

MARY A. PROCTOR,
OMAR A. TOWNE,
JOHN W. STAPLES.

TREASURER.

FRANK PROCTOR.

BOARD OF EDUCATION

To the City Council of the City of Franklin :

The Board of Education submit the following report
for the year 1896 :

FINANCIAL.

APPROPRIATIONS.

School books and supplies,	.	.	.	\$1,200 00
Repairs,	.	.	.	900 00
Music,	.	.	.	475 00
Outstanding bills,	.	.	.	325 00
Incidentals,	.	.	.	250 00
Care and cleaning,	.	.	.	600 00
Fuel,	.	.	.	680 00
Truant officer,	.	.	.	100 00
Drawing,	.	.	.	100 00
Salaries,	.	.	.	9,100 00
Nesmith school house,	.	.	.	3,000 00
Balance unexpended 1895,	.	.	.	570 78
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				\$17,300 78

EXPENDITURES.

Salaries,	\$8,655 48
School supplies,	1,097 13
Care and cleaning,	609 75
Fuel,	689 69
Repairs,	791 84
Incidentals,	310 87
Outstanding,	352 21
Music,	408 63
Truant officer,	78 00
Conveying scholars,	167 00
Nesmith house,	3,297 35
Insurance,	457 50
Enrolling scholars,	20 00

 \$16,935 45

Discount that should have been deducted
from a bill for books,

6 25

 \$16,941 70
SALARIES.

E. G. Ham,	\$733 32
S. W. March,	586 00
Blanche L. Carr,	275 00
Grace E. Davis,	275 00
Florence M. Greeley,	420 00
Nellie M. Norris,	122 24
Minnie J. Smith,	363 00
Alice H. Warden,	100 00
Bertha M. Sanborn,	330 00
Annie T. Keating,	330 00
Sarah E. Willgoose,	200 00
Elizabeth W. Lang,	200 00
Wilhelmina Pingree,	330 00
Florence I. Clark,	330 00
Emma S. Irish,	350 00
Mabelle P. Thompson,	261 00
Lester Maxfield,	60 00

Burton Maxfield,	\$60 00
Mary H. Hancock,	63 00
Bertha D. Jones,	140 00
Elsie Y. Closson,	280 00
Alice M. Walker,	154 00
Jennie P. Chapman,	140 00
Eliza E. Gee,	233 36
Ethel Pike,	60 00
Ada Loughhead,	253 00
E. Maude Rowe,	161 00
Bessie H. Prince,	60 00
Mattie Littlefield,	140 00
Nellie Stewart,	54 00
Frederick J. Allen,	433 35
Florence E. Leonard,	216 65
Helen E. Harding,	180 56
Cora I. Sargent,	143 00
Laura H. Manderson,	130 00
Flora L. Bradford,	130 00
Sadie E. Neal,	91 00
H. S. Farwell,	70 00
Florence Philbrook,	78 00
Florence A. Watts,	91 00
Carrie M. Putney,	14 00
Alice Goodwin,	14 00
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	\$8,655 48

SCHOOL SUPPLIES.

1896.

Feb. 15, W. S. Stewart, supplies and books,	\$77 22
Mar. 26, Leach, Shewell and Sanborn,	
books,	11 16
" 26, Wm. Ware & Co., books,	31 25
" 26, The American Book Co., books,	2 31
" 26, Ginn & Co., books,	2 67
" 26, Willard E. Sibley, supplies,	3 75
" 26, J. L. Hammett & Co., books and	
supplies,	44 23

Mar.	26,	Winnipiseogee Paper Co., paper,	\$16 52
"	26,	Werner School Book Co., books,	6 00
"	26,	T. H. Castor & Co., books,	1 40
"	26,	Houghton, Mifflin & Co., books,	7 82
"	26,	The Irving Co., supplies,	36
"	26,	Silver, Burdett & Co., books,	72 36
June	30,	W. S. Stewart & Co., books and supplies,	43 90
July	1,	Willard E. Sibley, supplies,	5 15
"	1,	Winnipiseogee Paper Co., paper,	20 15
"	1,	American Book Co., books,	11 52
"	1,	Leach, Shewell and Sanborn, books,	7 44
"	1,	The Werner School Book Co., books,	8 64
"	1,	Wm. Ware & Co., books,	12 60
July	31,	Oliver Ditson Co., music,	13 52
"	31,	Edw. E. Babb, paper,	2 10
"	31,	Ginn & Co., supplies,	1 30
"	31,	J. L. Hammett & Co., books and supplies,	39 94
Oct.	21,	The Morse Co., supplies,	3 82
"	21,	Winnipiseogee Paper Co., paper,	9 57
"	21,	Edw. E. Babb & Co., supplies,	10 00
"	22,	Silver, Burdett & Co., books,	24 30
"	22,	The American Book Co., books,	56 89
"	22,	J. L. Hammett & Co., books and supplies,	50 36
Dec.	1,	O. A. Towne, care of supplies,	50 00
"	1,	Towne & Robie, paper,	14 25
"	23,	E. S. Cram, supplies,	1 00
"	28,	Silver, Burdett & Co., books and supplies,	49 91
"	28,	Ginn & Co., books,	71 87
"	28,	T. H. Castor & Co., books,	4 68
"	28,	Franklin Publishing Co., sup- plies,	10 00
"	28,	Winnipiseogee Paper Co., paper,	8 70
"	28,	American Book Co., books,	4 34
"	28,	Harper and & Bros., books,	7 22

Dec. 28, Will S. Stewart, books and supplies,	\$156 62
“ 29, J. L. Hamnett & Co., supplies,	104 83
“ 29, “ “ “ “	15 46
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	\$1,097 13

CARE AND CLEANING.

1896.

Jan. 31, Geo. N. Cheever, care,	\$44 00
Feb. 14, A. W. Jones, care and cleaning,	14 75
“ 18, Lester Maxfield, care,	3 00
“ 29, Geo. N. Cheever, care,	44 00
Mar. 14, Geo. N. Cheever, care,	22 00
“ 26, Lester Maxfield, care,	3 00
“ 28, H. W. Locke, care and cleaning,	12 00
“ 30, P. G. Shaw, care,	3 00
Apr. 2, E. B. Tilton, care,	3 00
“ 2, Thomas Bruce, care and cleaning,	4 00
“ 24, Geo. N. Cheever, care,	44 00
“ 25, S. P. Thompson care,	3 00
May 22, Geo. N. Cheever, care,	44 00
June 18, Geo. N. Cheever, care,	44 00
“ 22, Ernest B. Tilton, care,	3 00
July 31, Thomas Bruce, care and cleaning,	4 00
Aug. 13, Omer K. Philbrook, care,	3 00
“ 22, Geo. N. Cheever, care and cleaning,	56 00
Sept. 18, Mary Durgin, cleaning,	4 50
“ 18, Esther Martin, cleaning,	4 50
“ 19, Julia Campbell, cleaning,	4 50
“ 19, Geo. N. Cheever, care,	52 00
Oct. 9, Geo. N. Cheever, care,	44 00
Nov. 3, N. Wilton. care,	2 50
“ 7, Geo. N. Cheever, care,	44 00
“ 7, Laura P. Keniston, cleaning,	1 00
“ 19, A. W. Jones, care and cleaning,	11 75
“ 21, Martha A. Thompson, care and cleaning,	7 00

Nov. 23,	Thomas Bruce, care and cleaning,	\$4 00
Dec. 11,	H. W. Locke, care and cleaning,	8 25
" 15,	Kelley Bros., cleaning, . . .	50
" 18,	Geo. N. Cheever, care, . . .	55 00
" 21,	Ernest B. Tilton, care, . . .	3 50
" 22,	Walter S. Hill, care, . . .	3 00
" 26,	Alfred K. Brown, care, . . .	3 00
" 28,	Florence L. Philbrook, care, . .	3 00
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		\$609 75

FUEL.

1896.

Feb. 14,	A. W. Jones, wood, . . .	\$27 27
" 14,	James H. Osgood housing wood,	3 25
" 15,	Napoleon Sebra, wood, . . .	16 00
Mar. 13,	A. L. Keniston, wood, . . .	12 00
" 24,	H. E. Dearborn, wood, . . .	4 00
" 28,	H. W. Locke, wood, . . .	24 50
" 30,	James H. Osgood, housing wood,	4 00
Apr. 3,	Harry L. Simonds, wood, . . .	38 25
" 8,	Ernest B. Tilton, sawing wood, .	2 25
" 8,	R. Delano, sawing wood, . . .	3 50
" 25,	S. P. Thompson, wood and kindlings, . . .	3 50
" 28,	Geo. E. Shepard, wood, . . .	10 00
" 28,	Shepard & Neal, wood, . . .	110 00
May 8,	Harry L. Simonds, sawing wood,	4 25
June 15,	Leonard B. Piper, sawing wood, .	5 00
July 30,	James H. Osgood, housing wood,	20 00
" 31,	F. M. Edmunds, coal, . . .	252 00
Sept. 8,	F. M. Edmunds, coal, . . .	114 02
Nov. 15,	Kelley Bros., wood, . . .	17 25
" 19,	A. W. Jones, wood, . . .	15 90
" 21,	Martha A. Thompson, kindlings,	2 00
" 21,	Ernest B. Tilton, kindlings, . .	75
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		\$689 69

REPAIRS.

1896.

Feb. 14,	A. W. Jones, labor,	\$2 49
Mar. 26,	J. L. Hammett & Co., black-boards,	16 47
" 26,	Jason Kidder, labor,	3 76
Apr. 2,	J. D. Kirk, hardware,	3 00
" 2,	A. Crosby, labor,	1 00
June 3,	A. W. Page, labor and lumber,	16 56
" 6,	H. A. Currier, labor and material,	21 82
" 18,	Judkins & Wallace, labor and material,	15 75
July 1,	J. H. Grayshan, labor and material,	21 69
" 1,	C. C. Paige, material,	50
" 31,	Jason Kidder, labor,	68
Aug. 8,	Chas. Penniman, labor,	5 45
" 8,	A. W. Page, labor and lumber,	19 38
" 17,	A. W. Page, labor and lumber,	62 59
" 24,	A. W. Page, labor and lumber,	73 49
" 24,	Charles Penniman, painting,	20 25
Sept. 4,	R. G. Burleigh, hardware,	23 37
" 5,	Laconia Lumber Co., floor boards,	229 50
" 5,	A. W. Page, labor,	8 32
" 7,	Chas. Penniman, painting,	5 14
" 12,	A. W. Page, labor,	3 37
" 12,	A. C. Tilton, lumber,	15 70
" 21,	Judkins & Wallace, labor and material,	51 89
" 21,	Chas. Penniman, painting,	1 53
Nov. 17,	Stephen Shepard, mason work,	7 25
" 18,	L. D. Sleeper, lumber,	5 30
" 19,	A. W. Jones, labor,	1 46
" 21,	Martha A. Thompson, labor,	50
Dec. 9,	A. W. Page, labor and lumber,	57 65
" 11,	James H. Rowe, labor and material,	42 68
" 14,	Jason Kidder, labor,	2 70

Dec. 14, Chas. Penniman, painting, . . .	\$3 40
“ 14, L. N. Gordon, teaming . . .	8 75
“ 15, Kelley Bros., labor, . . .	1 45
“ 18, L. D. Sleeper, lumber, . . .	23 70
“ 28, J. H. Grayshan, labor and material, . . .	6 80
“ 28, H. A. Currier, labor and material, .	6 50
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	\$791 84

INCIDENTALS.

1896.

Feb. 14, W. H. Hunt, chalk and tumblers,	\$ 65
Mar. 26, L. N. Gordon, carting slate, etc.,	9 25
“ 26, Chas. S. Gordon, saw dust, . . .	75
“ 26, Edw. E. Babb & Co., material for kindergarten, . . .	7 22
“ 26, John W. Staples, envelopes and stamps, . . .	2 00
“ 28, H. W. Locke, glass, other material, and labor, . . .	5 25
June 13, H. W. Burleigh, labor on bells, . .	80
July 1, F. A. Piper, use of piano, . . .	25 00
“ 1, O. A. Towne, W. U. for telegrams, . . .	70
“ 29, Lena G. Perrigo, traveling expenses, . . .	4 50
“ 31, O. A. Towne, traveling expenses,	6 50
Aug. 5, John W. Staples, envelopes and stamps, . . .	55
“ 27, Samuel E. Clifford, work on school grounds, . . .	8 25
“ 28, Etta F. Morse, traveling expenses,	5 00
“ 29, Will Gordon, grading and turfing grounds, . . .	49 40
Sept. 26, S. F. Bohonon, filling cellar and grading, . . .	21 50
Oct. 3, I. K. Ober, odd jobs teaming, . .	80

Oct. 21,	G. G. Fellows, bells, clocks and repairs,	\$19 25
" 21,	D. Ned Davis, loan for school grounds,	21 00
" 21,	Mrs. L. V. Sleeper, ribbon and lace for graduation,	1 23
" 21,	J. W. Russell, clock,	1 25
" 22,	Shepard Bros., dozen glass mugs,	1 00
Nov. 10,	I. K. Ober, trucking,	1 50
" 11,	E. E. Foskett, fertilizer,	1 65
" 19,	A. W. Jones, thermometer and labor,	1 82
" 23,	F. Carl Merrill, ink,	2 00
Dec. 1,	Towne & Robie, paper and printing,	42 25
" 12,	Will Gordon, teaming,	7 00
" 14,	L. N. Gordon, teaming,	28 45
" 17,	H. W. Burleigh, electric bells,	2 30
" 18,	H. A. Currier, labor and material,	6 95
" 19,	R. G. Burleigh, hardware,	11 15
" 28,	Alonzo Messer, repairing clock,	75
" 28,	J. H. Grayshan, brushes, pails, boiler, etc.,	12 30
" 31,	John W. Staples, postage and envelopes,	90
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		\$310 87

OUTSTANDING.

1896.

Feb. 15,	W. S. Stewart, books and supplies,	\$87 72
Mar. 9,	A. J. Thurston, fuel,	208 50
" 26,	Jason Kidder, labor and material,	3 94
May 7,	Towne & Robie, paper and printing,	52 05
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		\$352 21

MUSIC.

1896.

Jan. 31,	M. E. Clement, salary,	.	.	\$35 28
Feb. 29,	" "	.	.	35 28
Mar. 14,	" "	.	.	17 64
Apr. 1,	Lottie M. Sanborn, salary,	.	.	35 00
" 24,	M. E. Clement, salary,	.	.	35 28
May 22,	" "	.	.	35 28
June 17,	Lottie M. Sanborn, salary,	.	.	30 00
" 18,	M. E. Clement, salary,	.	.	26 46
Oct. 9,	" "	.	.	35 28
Nov. 7,	" "	.	.	35 28
Dec. 12,	Lottie M. Sanborn, salary,	.	.	43 75
" 18,	M. E. Clement, salary,	.	.	44 10
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				\$408 63

TRUANT OFFICER.

1896.

Mar. 14,	Louis Bassett,	\$25 00
Jan. 18,	" "	25 00
" 30,	E. B. Ferguson	3 00
Dec. 16,	Louis Bassett,	25 00
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						\$78 00

CONVEYING SCHOLARS.

1896.

Mar. 13,	J. M. Watts,	\$15 00
" 26,	C. H. Carpenter,	15 00
June 16,	" "	10 00
" 26,	H. B. Martin,	54 00
" 30,	J. M. Watts,	13 50
Dec. 24,	Paul M. Watts,	19 50
" 28,	Mary Danforth,	40 00
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						\$167 00

EXPENSE ON NESMITH SCHOOL HOUSE.

1896.

July 18,	A. W. Page, labor,	\$77 13
" 25,	" " "	107 12
" 31,	Rand, Taylor, Kendall & Stevens, plans and specifications,	\$75 00
" 31,	John E. Rines, brick,	32 40
" 31,	F. A. Eastman, freight,	4 80
Aug. 1,	A. W. Page, labor,	163 90
July 29,	Charles Penniman, labor and stock painting,	41 86
Aug. 8,	Charles Penniman, labor and stock,	14 65
" 8,	A. W. Page, labor,	56 20
" 14,	Judkins & Wallace, zinc and labor,	9 31
" 14,	L. D. Sleeper, lumber,	27 79
" 14,	J. H. Grayshan, m. f. tin,	7 42
" 14,	Kidder Machine Co., rods, bolts and iron material,	16 52
" 14,	A. S. Ripley, lumber,	170 51
" 17,	A. W. Page, labor,	42 87
" 19,	I. V. Goss, sewer,	95 42
" 24,	A. W. Page, labor,	34 28
" 24,	Charles Penniman, labor and stock,	57 30
" 24,	" " labor, painting,	51 75
" 24,	" " painting, stock,	40 91
" 25,	I. V. Goss, sewer,	17 67
" 29,	A. W. Page, labor,	135 35
Sept. 2,	Charles Penniman, labor, painting,	47 00
" 2,	" " painting mate- rial,	9 91
" 4,	R. G. Burleigh, hardware,	59 20
" 4,	Young & Shepard, mason work,	149 68
" 4,	Shepard & Neal, shingles,	66 75
" 4,	N. J. Putney, sash, windows, etc.,	39 10
" 5,	Laconia Lumber Co., lumber,	182 50
" 5,	A. W. Page, labor,	98 25
" 7,	Charles Penniman, labor and stock,	31 76
" 12,	A. W. Page, labor,	80 70

Sept. 8,	F. A. Eastman, agent, freight,	\$8 42
" 15,	Charles Penniman, labor and stock,	64 31
" 16,	J. L. Hammett & Co., slate black-boards,	97 30
" 17,	Currier & Galnett, plumbing,	480 00
" 19,	Young & Shepard, mason work,	130 51
" 21,	A. W. Page, freight, nails and material,	30 84
" 21,	R. G. Burleigh, hardware,	18 22
" 21,	Judkins & Wallace, furnace and labor,	170 07
" 21,	Jason Kidder, weights, castings and labor,	9 48
" 21,	A. W. Page, labor,	56 87
" 21,	Charles Penniman, labor and material,	42 75
" 25,	L. D. Sleeper, lumber,	48 22
" 26,	F. A. Eastman, freight,	1 85
Oct. 3,	Shepard Grocery Co., cement,	4 35
" 22,	Lee Bros., specifications for plumbing,	10 00
Nov. 7,	C. W. Adams, agent, freight,	4 33
" 18,	Peter Dana, window sills,	4 00
" 23,	Lucretia C. Sanborn, kindergarten furniture,	12 00
Dec. 14,	N. J. Putney, window frames, etc.,	2 75
" 14,	Charles Penniman, painting,	4 17
" 14,	L. N. Gordon, carting,	12 90
" 28,	Chandler Adjustable Chair and Desk Co., school furniture,	27 00
" 28,	Henry McShane Manufacturing Co., balance on slate urinal,	12 00
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		\$3,297 35

INSURANCE.

1896.

May	2,	R. E. Bean,	\$68 00
"	13,	Sumner Marvin,	36 00
June	6,	Geo. R. Stone,	216 50
"	12,	E. G. Leach,	117 00
"	12,	F. E. Barnard & Co.,	20 00
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							\$457 50

ENROLLING SCHOLARS.

1896.

July 1,	R. E. Davis,	\$20 00
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TREASURER'S REPORT.**RECEIPTS.**

Balance from last year,	\$570 78
Discount on books,	6 25
Tuition,	5 00
Freight refunded,	2 00
Books sold,	15 15
Orders, city council,	16,730 00
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					\$17,329 18

PAYMENTS.

Paid orders (Nos. 1 to 196, inc.,)	.	.	\$16,941 70
Balance,	.	.	387 48
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			\$17,329 18

FRANK PROCTOR,

Treasurer.

COMMENTS

The brief annual report for the school year must of necessity be general, touching a few matters, instead of dwelling upon details of work or the conditions of particular schools.

The usual statistics of school population, attendance, etc., are presented. These tabulated statements are by no means a measure of progress; yet they serve to make conspicuous the fact that in comfortable rooms, under competent teachers, with all necessary appliances carefully provided, nearly seven hundred pupils have had opportunity for that instruction and training which will help to fit them to bear their parts in the various activities of life.

These privileges begin with our kindergarten schools; and it gives especial satisfaction to record the establishment of a kindergarten department on the west side of the river. The urgent demands of the community have compelled this step, now that enlarged school quarters have made it possible. Here, owing to necessary economical managements, a large part of the work of this department is carried on in the same room in which the regular primary work is conducted. It thus becomes a close adjunct to the school system, and the skillful and efficient management of the teacher under these seemingly adverse conditions, disproves the idea which so often prevails that nothing like order is to be expected in a kindergarten; that children are sent there to be amused by some person supposed to have a special

talent in this direction. The work of the true kindergarten should prove the best possible foundation for the schools above, by training "the head, the hand and the heart," thus bringing into happy harmony all the faculties and powers of the child.

No work in the schools should be more emphasized than that of the primary grades. The improved methods which have come into primary instruction of late years, serve to make this department one of the most interesting and attractive of the entire school system. Skilled and competent teachers are needed to train children in all that is required by the present high standard of the best schools. Such talent demands everywhere an equivalent in the way of pecuniary compensation which is not always within the limits of our appropriation.

The number of pupils has been so diminished since the establishment of a parochial school that combinations have been made in the intermediate and grammar grades, making it possible to decrease our expenses somewhat by the employment of a less number of teachers.

The course of study is in process of revision and is now arranged so that the course below the high school, not including the kindergarten work, is nine years, as is the case in almost all the schools of New England. Future efforts should be directed to enriching the course in various lines.

So valuable has the experiment in the eighth and ninth grades of reading such books as *Evangeline*, *Snow Bound* and other masterpieces of English and American literature been, in proving that the taste of pupils of that age can be cultivated by being directed toward what is best, that it is hoped this policy will continue until the reading matter in all the grades shall have an intrinsic value of its own.

It is gratifying to call attention to the systematic work in drawing which was resumed by Miss Nelson at the beginning of this school year. Steady and well directed effort in this line is possible only under

a teacher specially trained for the work. Drawing occupies such an important place in all good schools that it hardly seems necessary to defend our position in establishing it, in a small way, as a part of our school system. A competent critic thus writes of art education in the public schools: "With well considered courses of study in art education, with the school supplied with suitable materials and objects for study, with proper directors in charge of the work, we should see, I believe, a real art development in this country unexampled in the world's history. As a people we are ignorant of the uplifting and ennobling influence of art; and yet we have in our public school system the grandest opportunity that was ever given to carry a love for the beautiful into every home, to make it the possession of every man and woman in the land."

The purpose and value of this study are every year becoming more clearly understood. The knowledge of form and color, the more accurate power of observing, the precision in hand work gained in this way, must be a means of mental discipline.

It is pleasant, also, to note the continued excellent work in music. The community is beginning to profit in so many ways from this branch of our school curriculum that its omission would seem nothing short of a calamity. No longer do we hear it argued by any intelligent person that instruction in singing is adapted to the exceptional few only and ought not, consequently, to be provided at the public expense. The value of the study of vocal music as a means of refinement and moral development as well as a source of personal enjoyment is now a recognized fact.

Our ungraded schools are as prosperous as could be expected under existing conditions. It is difficult to retain good teachers for any length of time in these schools; and the frequent changes seriously affect the successful carrying out of any definite plan of work.

It is hoped that the teachers' meetings, which are this year regularly held under such excellent direction, may prove a means of forming a bond between the different

localities and thus help to give life to every part of the school system. The entire body of teachers will work with more ambition because they feel the stimulus of a high standard. The constantly changing membership of our corps of teachers and the lack of skilled supervision make it difficult to secure the working of all the parts of our educational system to a perfect end. Organized effort on the part of the teachers will do much to counteract this difficulty.

The claims of the high school are brought more fully to your notice in the report made by the principal. We may confidently expect that a continuation of the present administration will put our schools on a plane with the best high schools in the state. The new course of study is calculated to fit all pupils desiring a higher education for college. The value of a good high school, however, should not be estimated by the advantages which it gives to the comparatively small number who go to college. Much benefit accrues to the community from the opportunities for becoming intelligent citizens, given to those pupils who do not go beyond the high school.

For the current year pupils will be allowed to graduate from a three years' course; but this is a reluctant concession to certain high school conditions which now exist. Hereafter a three years' course will not be considered adequate for a diploma.

The High school building which was quite thoroughly renovated last year, has been still further improved by replacing the old splintered floors in several of the rooms with those of hard wood. The other rooms should receive like treatment the ensuing year. The improvements made in the school house on the Franklin side of the river have been so much in evidence during the past summer that an extended report in regard to them hardly seems necessary. The changes made were in accordance with plans devised by the same architects who made the plan of the original building fifteen years ago; and, while the increased space and improved sanitary arrangements, so long

needed, make the building thoroughly comfortable and convenient, it is generally agreed that its architectural beauty is uninjured by the transformation. The amount of money expended for these improvements is given in full detail in the financial report. It may seem large, but, in light of the fact that very little has been spent on the building since its erection, and in view of the added capacity and comfort gained, it seems very moderate. By the general desire of the entire community, this school house has been named the "Nesmith School," and thus becomes a worthy means of preserving the memory of an honored citizen. It is most fitting that we should thus seek to keep in remembrance the strong and unique personality of one who, during the long years of his life in our midst, was so prominent a character. This is a tribute to the sturdy, old-time virtues we wish might be reproduced in the lives of all the pupils in our schools.

In calling attention to some of the encouraging points in our school system, we are not unmindful of the many defects; but these are always sufficiently well advertised by critical onlookers and do not need official corroboration.

We might offer many recommendations, but we include them all in the earnest wish that, at no far distant day, we may have a superintendent of schools, or, as seems more reasonable to hope at this stage of our growth, that we may share this advantage with some of our neighboring towns. We ask the aid of the community in overcoming the difficulties arising from this lack of skilled supervision.

In closing, we would gratefully acknowledge our indebtedness to the mayor and the city council for making it possible to do whatever has been done in the way of improvement.

To the Board of Education:

The first catalogue of the Franklin High school has just been published and in that will be found all necessary general information. Copies of the catalogue may be had upon application to the principal or to the secretary of the Board of Education. For the benefit of any who do not see this I will submit the new courses of study with which we began the year.

It has been necessary to adopt new courses of study in the High school. The old courses, though elementary, were good in their time; but the school had grown beyond them, and the public were entitled to something better. Indeed, no satisfactory advance could have been made without such a change. Franklin should in no wise be surpassed by other cities in providing for the intellectual and moral welfare of her young people, in whom lie her future welfare and destiny. Nothing can be too good for our boys and girls, for our young men and young women. No provision for their advancement can be unwise. The principal of the High school should be an expert and master in his business, following it as a permanent profession. He should learn the most approved courses and methods, and should keep in touch with the best schools and teachers in other places. He should cultivate a deep and sincere interest in the best welfare of his pupils. He should be first, last and always a student of human nature. Assistant teachers should be fully qualified, experienced, apt to teach, and thoroughly in earnest in their work.

The courses of study which we are now following, though not as perfect as in their present form, were approved by vote of the faculty of Dartmouth college for use in the High school at Milford, N. H. From that school students were received at Dartmouth upon the principal's certificate, without examination.

There is the same possibility for Franklin. As the quality of our teaching is improved, and our equipment enlarged, students may fit for college here as well as to go elsewhere, with a great saving in expense. There

are, indeed, advantages in preparing for college in such a school rather than in some of the larger institutions. Here a student may know his teachers better and may become more self reliant.

A very large proportion of our students never pass beyond the High school. Realizing this fact, and also that the school is a public institution, supported at public expense, we have so arranged our courses, and endeavor to do such work as to afford the best possible general education, the greatest good of the greatest number.

The school offers advanced courses in mathematics, the sciences, language and literature, history, civil government, economics, and in the ancient and modern languages. Practical bookkeeping, without a text book, is taught by a method equal to any found in a business college. Commercial arithmetic, also, with practice upon the forms of commercial papers, may soon be added.

The enrollment of pupils in the High school is larger than that for the year 1895-96. But we have only three teachers in place of the four then employed. The new schedules, by condensation of small classes and by economy of time, and a carefully prepared daily program, have made it possible to dispense with the services of a third assistant, yet for the present only, as the growth of the school will soon demand permanently a fourth teacher. The principal would then have more time for the general management of the school and for doing many things necessary to its highest good. He would then be able to cultivate a wider and better acquaintance with pupils and parents.

We have enrolled ninety-one pupils in the present school year. By making the school so profitable as to retain nearly all who do not graduate in June, and with an entering class of the usual number, next September should see an enrollment of over one hundred, possibly one hundred and ten. With one more instructor, and with a few changes in rooms which can be made without difficulty, that number can be well provided for.

It has been well said that conduct is three-fourths of life. Good order precedes class instruction. In our High school no pains will be spared to maintain a discipline that shall not only be above criticism but that shall commend itself to pupils, parents, and citizens. Respect for self, courtesy and kindness toward others, neatness and economy, are parts of a true education. Every effort will be made to establish right relations between teachers and pupils, and to make the school enjoyable and profitable for all.

With hearty interest and aid from the public, who are most cordially invited to visit our school at any time, with earnest co-operation on the part of the pupils, and with conscientious and well directed work by the teachers, the Franklin High school may take and maintain its proper place in the community. Following are the courses of study.

Respectfully submitted.

FREDERICK J. ALLEN,

Principal of High School.

SCHOOL CENSUS

Number of children in the city between five and fifteen years of age May 1, 1896,*	950
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Distributed as follows :

Ward one,	278
Ward two,	342
Ward three,	330

Number enrolled in public schools,	634
Number enrolled in private schools,	285
In Saint Mary's school,	61
In Orphans' Home,	

Number of labor certificates granted in 1896, 3.

*The appended statistical table shows that there are many pupils in our schools over fifteen years of age.

STATISTICS OF THE HIGH SCHOOL

Number of pupils in the several classes in Dec., 1896 :

Senior class,	11
Junior class,	19
Sophomore class,	27
Freshman class,	33
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Total,	90

Number examined for admission in September, 1896,	36
Number admitted in September,	28
Number entered in September,	33
Number entered from other towns,	3

Number graduated in June, 1896, . . . 13

NAMES OF GRADUATES.

LATIN COURSE.

Ernest D. Drake,
Georgie B. French,
Florence L. Philbrook,
Alice M. Putney,
Hattie M. Woodward,
Robert M. Wright.

ENGLISH COURSE (Four Years).

Blanche J. Fellows,
Alice D. Haynes,
Delia M. Horan,
Margaret M. Welch.

ENGLISH COURSE (Three Years).

Ralph W. Eaton, Maude A. McGloughlin
M. Annah Osgood.

**STATISTICS FOR THE TERM BEGINNING SEPTEMBER 14
AND ENDING DECEMBER 18, 1896.**

NAME OF SCHOOL.	NAME OF TEACHER.	No. of Pupils
High	{ Frederick G. Allen, Principal Florence E. Leonard, } Assts. Helen E. Harding, }	90
Grade IX. . .	Florence M. Greeley . . .	25
Grade VIII. . .	{ Florence M. Greeley Ada F. Loughhead . . .	32
Grade VII. . .	Ada F. Loughhead . . .	15
Grade VI. . .	Minnie J. Smith . . .	25
Grade V. . . .	Minnie J. Smith . . .	18
Grade IV. . . .	Cora I. Sargent . . .	34
Grade III. . .	Annie T. Keating, . . .	45
Grade II. . . .	Bertha M. Sanborn . . .	26
Grade I. . . .	Laura H. Manderson . . .	51
Kindergarten . .	Wilhelmina Pingree, . . .	28
Nesmith School —		
Grades		
IX., VIII., VII.	{ Sam'l W. March, Prin. Elsie Y. Closson, Asst. . .	30
Grades VI., V. .	Florence I. Clark . . .	33
Grades IV., III.	Emma S. Irish . . .	33
Grades II., I. . .	{ Flora L. Bradford Elsie Y. Closson . . .	23
Kindergarten . .	Flora L. Bradford . . .	13
Webster school . .	Sadie E. Neal . . .	17
Shaw school . . .	H. S. Farwell . . .	15
Pond school . . .	Maud Rowe . . .	21
Call school . . .	Mattie L. Littlefield . . .	11
Simonds school . .	Florence L. Philbrook . . .	9
Maplewood school .	Mabelle P. Thompson . . .	8
Morrison school . .	Florence A. Watts . . .	22
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COURSES OF STUDY IN HIGH SCHOOL

ENGLISH COURSE.

FIRST TERM.	SECOND TERM.	THIRD TERM.
Freshman Year. Algebra Physical Geography English Language	Algebra Physical Geography and Botany English Language	Algebra Botany (Field) English Language
Sophomore Year. Algebra Physiology English History	Geometry Book-Keeping English History	Geometry Physics English History
Junior Year. Geometry Physics * Rhetoric	Geometry or Trigonometry* Chemistry Rhetoric	Civil Government Chemistry * Geology
Senior Year. Political Economy General History English Literature	Astronomy General History English Literature	Psychology General History American Literature

* French may be substituted for these studies Junior and Senior Years.

COURSES OF STUDY IN HIGH SCHOOL

CLASSICAL COURSE.

	FIRST TERM.	SECOND TERM.	THIRD TERM.
Freshman Year.	Algebra Latin Lessons English Language	Algebra Latin Lessons English Language	Algebra Latin Lessons English Language
Sophomore Year.	Algebra Cæsar English History	Geometry Cæsar English History	Geometry Cæsar Physics
Junior Year.	Geometry Cicero † French	Chemistry Cicero French	Civil Government Cicero French
Senior Year.	Virgil French English Literature	Virgil French English Literature	Virgil French American Literature

† Roman History weekly through Junior Year.

COLLEGE PREPARATORY COURSE.

	FIRST TERM.	SECOND TERM.	THIRD TERM.
Freshman Year.	Algebra Latin Lessons English Language	Algebra Latin Lessons English Language	Algebra Latin Lessons English Language
Sophomore Year.	Algebra Cæsar Greek Lessons	Geometry Cæsar Greek Lessons	Geometry Cæsar Greek Lessons
Junior Year.	Geometry Cicero † Anabasis	Geometry or Trigonometry Cicero Anabasis	Civil Government Cicero Anabasis
Senior Year.	Virgil Homer's Iliad † English Literature	Virgil Homer's Iliad English Literature	Virgil Iliad and Greek Prose American Literature

General Reading (especially for entering college), Composition, Declamation and Recitation, required throughout the courses. Greek and Latin Prose and Classical Geography in connection with Greek and Latin work.

— Roman History weekly through Junior Year.

† Greek History, weekly, through Senior Year.

RESOLUTIONS ORDINANCES

PASSED IN 1896.

RESOLUTIONS

A RESOLUTION relating to the appointment of Standing Committees of the Council.

Resolved by the City Council of the City of Franklin, as follows:

That the Mayor be authorized to appoint the following Standing Committees of the Council, to be appointed, one from each ward, viz. .

On highways.

“ fire department.

“ police.

“ schools.

“ public buildings.

“ ordinances, and a Committee on Finance to consist of the Mayor and two members of the council.

Approved.

E. H. STURTEVANT,

Mayor.

Passed January 6, 1896.

A RESOLUTION relating to salary of Highway Commissioner.

Resolved by the City Council of the City of Franklin, as follows:

That the salary of the Highway Commissioner be fixed at seven hundred and fifty dollars per year in full for his services and driving team.

Approved.

E. H. STURTEVANT,
Mayor.

Passed February 3, 1896.

A RESOLUTION relating to vacancy in the representation of Ward one in the council and ordering an election to fill the same.

Resolved by the City Council of the City of Franklin, as follows:

Whereas, at the last city election William E. Stone was elected as councilman from Ward one in said city, for the term of three years from the first Monday of January, A. D. 1896 and, whereas, said Stone has neglected and refused to take the oath of his said office and to accept and discharge the duties incident thereto, therefore be it

Resolved: That the office to which said Stone was elected, as aforesaid, is hereby declared vacant, and that the supervisors of the city are hereby directed to call a special election of the voters of Ward one to elect a councilman to serve for the unexpired term of three years from said first Monday in January, 1896, to fill the vacancy caused by the neglect and refusal of William E. Stone to accept said office and discharge its duties.

Approved.

E. H. STURTEVANT,
Passed Feb. 3, 1896. *Mayor.*

A RESOLUTION in relation to borrowing money for current expenses.

Resolved by the City Council of the City of Franklin, as follows :

That the Mayor, with the approval of the Committee on Finance, be authorized to borrow on the credit of the city such sum or sums, not exceeding twelve thousand dollars, as may be necessary to meet the current expenses of the city, in anticipation of the collection of taxes for the current year.

Approved.

E. H. STURTEVANT,

Mayor.

Passed March 2, 1896.

A RESOLUTION relating to instructing assessors.

Resolved by the City Council of the City of Franklin, as follows :

That the assessors be instructed to enforce the law in relation to the filling out and returning of the inventory blanks the present year.

Approved.

E. H. STURTEVANT,

Mayor.

Passed March 16, 1896.

A RESOLUTION in relation to the appropriations for the year 1896.

Resolved by the City Council of the City of Franklin, as follows :

That the following appropriations be made for the year 1896 :

Interest —

Water debt,	\$3,840 00	
Memorial hall,	1,200 00	
1885 bonds,	1,600 00	
Temporary loan,	500 00	
Overdue coupons,	160 00	
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		\$7,300 00
Highways,		\$7,000 00
Street lighting,		3,385 00
Police department,		1,000 00
City poor,		600 00
Fire department, general expenses,		1,200 00
Fire department, repairs,		300 00
Memorial day,		100 00
Salaries,		1,400 00
Memorial hall expense,		700 00
Incidentals,		1,400 00
Schools,		13,730 00
State tax,		7,530 00
County tax,		8,346 68
Bridge,		6,000 00
Sewers,		5,000 00
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		\$64,991 68

Approved.

E. H. STURTEVANT,

Mayor.

Passed April 6, 1896.

A RESOLUTION in relation to raising money by taxation for the year 1896.

Resolved by the City Council of the City of Franklin, as follows :

That the sum of forty-four thousand three hundred ninety-seven dollars and sixty-eight cents be raised by taxation the present year, and that the assessors be instructed to assess and levy a tax of that amount in the following manner, viz. :

State tax,	.	.	.	.	.	.	\$7,530 00
County tax,	.	.	.	.	.	.	8,346 68
School tax, required by law,	.	.	.	.	.	.	6,024 00

and the sum of twenty-two thousand five hundred dollars to meet the current expenses provided for by the appropriations this day made, and that the same be appropriated with the other revenues of the city to meet the same.

Approved.

E. H. STURTEVANT,
Mayor.

Passed May 11, 1896.

A RESOLUTION fixing the place of holding elections in the several wards.

Resolved by the City Council of the City of Franklin, as follows.

That elections in Ward one be held in the old town hall ; in Ward two in the lower hall, and Ward three in the upper hall of the Memorial hall building, and that the city clerk be authorized and instructed to provide the necessary booths and other furniture to conduct the election on November 3 and 24, 1896.

Approved.

E. H. STURTEVANT,
Mayor.

Passed October 5, 1896.

A RESOLUTION authorizing borrowing money to pay floating indebtedness.

Resolved by the City Council of the City of Franklin, as follows :

That the Treasurer of the city is hereby authorized to borrow twenty thousand dollars on the note of the city on one year's time with interest at four per cent, payable semi-annually, and to execute a note therefor to pay floating indebtedness, signed by the Mayor, countersigned by the Treasurer and Clerk, and approved by the Finance Committee.

Approved.

E. H. STURTEVANT,
Mayor.

Passed December 19, 1896.

ORDINANCES

AN ORDINANCE relating to the disposal of garbage and refuse.

*Resolved by the City Council of the City of Franklin,
as follows:*

SECTION 1. No person shall throw or deposit any garbage, paper, ashes or other refuse in or upon any highway in said city.

SEC. 2. No person shall deposit any garbage, paper, ashes or other refuse upon any land near or adjacent to the dump or slide provided by the city on the river bank below the farm of Warren F. Daniell. All persons using said dump shall cause everything placed thereon to pass down over the lower end of said slide.

SEC. 3. Any person violating any of the provisions of this ordinance shall be fined not exceeding twenty dollars.

SEC. 4. This ordinance shall take effect upon its passage.

Approved.

F. N. PARSONS,
Mayor.

Passed October 12, 1895.

AN ORDINANCE relating to sewers.

Be it ordained by the City Council of the City of Franklin, as follows :

SECTION 1. That the resolution of the city council adopted May 10, 1895, relating to sewers, be and the same hereby is so far modified as to provide for a special assessment or charge only on such persons or corporations as have already, or may hereafter, connect with the new system of sewerage.

SEC. 2. That no person or corporation shall be required to connect with any sewer except by direction of the Board of Health of the city or the city council.

SEC. 3. All persons who have already, or shall hereafter connect with the new system of sewerage, shall pay to the city the following sums, to wit: For each tenement of seven rooms or less, fifteen dollars, for each additional room in a tenement in excess of seven, two dollars.

Space in buildings occupied wholly or in part for stores, manufacturing, or other purposes than private barns, cellars and store houses or store rooms, or out-buildings, shall be reckoned and paid for on the basis of one hundred and fifty square feet of floor space as one room when connected with the sewer.

SEC. 4. All persons who have already connected with the new system of sewerage shall pay to the City Clerk the amounts for which they are liable under the provisions of Section three within thirty days after the passage of this ordinance with interest thereafter, and the City Clerk is hereby directed to collect the same.

SEC. 5. No person shall hereafter connect with any public sewer without first obtaining a permit therefor signed by the City Clerk and countersigned by the Highway Agent, and before such permit is issued to connect with the new system of sewerage such person shall pay to the City Clerk the sums for which he would be liable under the provisions of Section three.

SEC. 6. In any case where connection with a sewer

is made by the Board of Health, through the neglect or refusal of the owner to comply with their orders so to do, the amount provided to be paid therefor in Section three shall become at once due and payable and collected by the City Clerk, but the City Clerk may issue a permit in such cases without prepayment.

SEC. 7. Every permit to connect with any public sewer issued by the City Clerk shall contain the name of the owner, the number of tenements and rooms in each for which the permit is granted, the location of the tenements and amount paid for such permit, a record of which shall be made by the City Clerk in a book kept for that purpose.

SEC. 8. All connections with any public sewer shall hereafter be made under the supervision of the Highway Agent and in accordance with his directions, and it is hereby made the duty of the Highway Agent to see that all such connections are securely made and in the safest and best manner, and that only proper pipe and other materials are used.

SEC. 9. No person or corporation shall deposit any garbage, offal, filth or any substance having a tendency to obstruct the flow of sewage, in any manhole, flush tank or sewer opening.

SEC. 10. All fixtures connected with private sewers leading to the public sewers shall be provided with suitable traps and strainers to prevent the introduction of all solids or anything that would obstruct the flow in the pipes.

SEC. 11. Any person violating the provisions of Sections five and eight, nine and ten of this ordinance shall be fined not exceeding twenty dollars.

SEC. 12. This ordinance shall take effect upon its passage.

Approved.

E. H. STURTEVANT,
Mayor.

Passed May 4, 1896.

AN ORDINANCE relating to buildings in the compact part of the city of Franklin, as follows:

Be it ordained by the City Council of the City of Franklin, as follows:

SECTION 1. No building shall hereafter be erected on the north side of Central street between Sanborn bridge and Daniell bridge, on the south side of Central street between Sanborn bridge and Church street, on Franklin street between Central street and Church street, except the same is constructed with solid outside brick walls at least twelve inches thick.

SEC. 2. This ordinance shall take effect upon its passage.

Approved.

E. H. STURTEVANT,
Mayor.

Passed May 4, 1896.

AN ORDINANCE relating to sewers and in amendment of an ordinance passed May 4, 1896.

Be it ordained by the City Council of the City of Franklin, as follows:

SECTION 1. Any person connecting with a public sewer, who will sign a written request therefor, may pay an annual rental or tax as follows: For each tenement of seven rooms or less, \$2. For each additional room in a tenement, 30 cents, payable in advance. The first payment when the permit is granted, subsequent payments to be collected by the collector with other taxes.

Such rental shall cease whenever such party shall pay the fee heretofore prescribed and any sums due for such rental.

SEC. 2. This ordinance shall take effect upon its passage.

Approved.

E. H. STURTEVANT,
Mayor.

Passed November 2, 1896.

VITAL STATISTICS

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TO THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF FRANKLIN: In compliance with an act of the Legislature, passed June session 1887 requiring "clerks of towns and cities to furnish a transcript of the record of births, marriages and deaths to the municipal officers for publication in the Annual Report" I hereby submit the following:

MARRIAGES.

Date of Marriage.	Place of Marriage.	Name and Surname of Groom and Bride.	Residence of each at time of Marriage.	Age in years.	Color of each.	Occupation of Groom & Bride	Place of Birth of each.	Name of Parents.	Birthplace of Parents.	Occupation.	Condition, No.	Name, Residence and official station of person by whom married.
Jan. 18	Franklin	James Holt Maggie Elliott	Franklin Rochester, N. Y.	26 27		Weaver Weaver	Amesbury, Mass. Rochester, N. Y.	James Holt Hannah Newsome William Elliott Christiana Rankin	England Gre it Falls Rochester, N.Y. "	Spinner Housewife Farmer Housewife	1 1	Rev. J. H. Bliss, Franklin
" 29	"	Charles A. Browne Gertrude Emerson	Franklin "	40 16		Laborer At home	N'w B'dford, Mass. Northwood	George F. Browne Barbara Winn Knowlton Emerson Viola Hodson	Ireland England Northwood "	Shoemaker Farmer —	2 1	S. F. Danforth, J. P. Franklin
Feb. 3	"	Royal S. Kelsey Florence M. Brodeur	" "	24 20		Paper maker At home	Canton, N. Y. Franklin	William Kelsey Mary Aldrich Frank Brodeur Mary J. Dounphinett	— Winoski, Vt. Franklin Canada	Deceased Housewife Barber Housewife	1 1	Rev. A. J. Timon, Franklin
" 15	"	Phillip Defosses Malvina Gay	" Sanbornton	24 17	All white	Laborer At home	Canaan Laconia	Frank Defosses Leo Shephard Joseph Gay	" " "	Laborer Housewife Laborer Housewife	1 1	Rev. A. J. Timon, Franklin
Mar 9	"	Bert C. Taylor Nora E. Hayward	Franklin Boston, Mass.	25 18		Painter At home	Royalton, Vt. Randolph, Vt.	Malvina Garant Albert Taylor Sarah George Willb'r E. Hayward Nellie E. Newton	" Tunbridge, Vt. — Randolph, Vt.	Deceased Cabinet maker Housewife	1	Rev. E. D. Clough, Franklin

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Mar. 16	Concord	George H. Holden Jeannie M. Ross	Franklin "	27 24		Barber Waitress	Fitchburg, Mass. Somerville, Mass.	Aaron Holden Rose McKenzie George Ross Hattie Ross	Concord Winnet Canada "	Deceased, " Housewife Machinist Housewife Deceased	2 1	Rev. G. M. Curl, Concord
" 21	Franklin	Thos. V. Sullivan, Jr. Mabel J. Brown	Lynn, Mass. Franklin	35 21		Musician Mill operative	Woburn, Mass. Stanstead, P. Q.	Thos. V. Sullivan Archusa Johnson Guy Brown Emma Knight	New York city Woburn, Mass. Woburn, Mass. Canada	Housewife Housewife Housewife Deceased	1 1	Rev. G. L. Lowell, Franklin
" 27	"	Huber Bushman Marie Boyere	" "	52 45		Carpenter At home	Canada "	Edward Bushman M'elaine D'Losses Pierre Boyere Constance Lacourt	Canada " " "	Housewife Deceased " At home	3 1	Rev. A. J. Timon, Franklin
" 30	Hill	William H. Fowler Nellie F. Drew	" "	34 18	All white	Teamster Housework	Danbury Suncook	Joseph H. Fowler Mary Nolan William Drew Lucinda Clark	Canada " Ireland "	Deceased Housewife Housewife Carpenter	2 1	Rev. M. P. Favor, Hill
Apr. 1	Franklin	George A. Goss Alice M. Woodbury	" "	21 21		Farmer At home	Litchfield, Me. Warner	Elizabeth Smith C. F. H. Woodbury Jennie Hayes	Allenstown Lewiston, Me. Bath, Me. Haverhill, M'ss	Housewife Carpenter Deceased "	1 1	Rev. E. S. Elder, Franklin
" 11	"	Calvin R. Goss Florence Cole	Salisbury Franklin	28 36		Farmer At home	Litchfield, Me. Hill	J. W. Goss Elizabeth Smith Nathan Cole	Lewiston, Me. Bath, Me. Bridgewater	Carpenter Deceased Farmer Housewife	1 2	Rev. E. S. Elder, Franklin
" 14	Concord	George H. Lyon Ida M. Tuttle	New Haven, Ct. Franklin	42 38		Carpenter At home	Reading, Ct. Salisbury	S. E. Austen Addison D. Tuttle Caroline Hoyt	Waterbury, Ct. Eppingham Hill	Housewife Carpenter Housewife	2 1	Rev. John Thorpe, East Andover

"	27	Franklin	Joseph A. Lemire	"	"	25	Mill operative	Canada	Joseph A. Lemire	Canada	Farmer	1	Rev. A. J. Timon, Franklin
"	27	"	An'nda Lamont'gue	"	"	17	"	"	Louise Terriere	"	Housewife	1	
"	27	"	Bernard Lemire	"	"	23	"	"	Oct'ye Lamont'gue	"	Laborer	1	
May	7	"	Etadine Porriere	"	"	22	"	"	Joseph A. Lemire	"	Housewife	1	Rev. A. J. Timon, Franklin
			John W. Morse	"	"	38	Carpenter	Woodstock	Louise Terriere	"	Mill operative	1	
			Bertha Tilton	Andover	"	26	At home	Andover	Izate Poirier	"	Housewife	1	Rev. E. D. Clough, Franklin
June	11	"	Stephen F. Brown	Providence, R. I.	"	37	Machinist	Johnston, R. I.	Henriette Polier	"	Deceased	1	
"	15	"	Hattie S. Fuller	Franklin	"	26	At home	Providence, R. I.	Caleb C. Morse	Bridgewater	Farmer	1	Rev. E. D. Clough, Franklin
			Frank W. Kimball	"	"	25	Printer	Franklin	Emily Gilley	New Hampton	Housewife	1	
			Clara M. Proctor	"	"	22	"	Boston, Mass.	James Tilton	Andover	Deceased	1	
"	27	"	Robert C. Sanger	"	"	22	Buyer	Franklin	Jennie Atwood	England	Housewife	1	Rev. E. D. Clough, Franklin
"	27	"	Mary O. Aldrich	Providence, R. I.	"	23	Teacher	New York City	Richard Brown	"	Housewife	1	
			David W. Hoag	Franklin	"	23	Teamster	Nashua	Ann Patterson	Milford, Mass.	Deceased	1	
"	27	Warner	Nelle M. Sherman	"	"	18	Needle maker	Belmont	George F. Fuller	Rhode Island	"	2	Rev. Thos. Whit'side, Franklin
			John F. Adams	"	"	47	Tinsmith	Sutton	Cornelia E. Proctor	Sanborn	Housekeeper	1	
"	30	Franklin	Fannie S. Clark	Warner	"	23	Housekeeper	Warner	Elina Hoyt	Grafton	Deceased	1	
			George W. Snow	Franklin	"	26	Needle maker	Walden, Vt.	George O. Proctor	Watertown, Mass.	"	1	Rev. E. S. Elder, Franklin
July	2	"	Etta M. Heath	"	"	21	"	Grafton	Herbert Sanger	Franklin	Housekeeper	1	
			William W. Clifford	"	"	19	Teamster	Alexandria	Jennie L. Morrison	Providence, R. I.	Merchant	1	
			Mamie B. Hemenway	Canaan	"	27	At home	Canaan	Edmund Aldrich	Boston, Mass.	Deceased	1	Rev. J. H. Bliss, Franklin
									Elizabeth Root	Boscawen	Roofor	1	
									David T. Hoag	Nashua	Housewife	1	
									Charlotte Hoag	"	Deceased	1	
									Henry B. Sherman	Groton	Needle maker	2	Rev. A. H. Arnes, Warner
									Hattie L. Rogers	Sutton	Deceased	1	
									B. F. Adams	Row	"	1	
									Nancy N. White	Warner	Farmer	2	Rev. L. W. Phillips, Warner
									Charles O. Clark	"	Deceased	1	
									Mary A. Currier	Spencer, Mass.	Housewife	2	
									James J. Snow	Walden, Vt.	At home	1	
									Dorothy W. Ingalls	Springfield	Deceased	1	
									Josiah Heath	Danbury	Housewife	1	
									Sarah J. Lord	Blacksmith	Housewife	1	
									Frank M. Clifford	Antrim	Farmer	2	Rev. T. Whiteside, Franklin
									N. M. Chamberlain	"	Housewife	2	
									Andrew J. Danish	Orange	Housewife	2	
									Mary A. Citley	"	Housewife	2	

MARRIAGES.

Date of Marriage.	Place of Marriage.	Name and Surname of Groom and Bride.	Residence of each at time of Marriage.	Age in years.	Color of each.	Occupation of Groom & Bride.	Place of Birth of each.	Name of Parents.	Birthplace of Parents.	Occupation.	Condition.	Name, Residence and official station of person by whom married.
July 6	"	Martin Cunningham	Franklin	30		Merchant	Franklin	John Cunningham	Ireland	Deceased	1	Rev. A. J. Timon, Franklin
"	"	Ethel M. Davis	"	22		Mill operative	"	Mary Sullivan	Bristol	Salesman	1	
"	"	Abra'm L. Broadley	"	23		Harness maker	Pittsfield, Me.	C. E. F. Davis	New London	Housewife	1	
"	"	Myrtle E. Holt	"	17		At home	Franklin	Emma Baker	England	Weaver	1	
14	Springfield, Vt.	Guy C. Flanders	"	24		Machinist	Danbury	Edwin Broadley	"	Deceased	1	Rev. E. D. Clough, Franklin
"	"	Annie M. Berry	"	23		At home	Lakeport	Ann Lord	Groton	Mechanic	1	
"	Bristol	George M. Jenness	"	21		Brakeman	Manchester	Sarah A. Strong	Chester, Vt.	Deceased	1	
"	"	Jennie M. Emmons	Hill	19		At home	Alexandria	George C. Flanders	Danbury	Housekeeper	1	Rev. H. A. Spencer, Springfield, Vt.
Aug. 12	Franklin	Lester L. Collins	Franklin	27		Farmer	Franklin	Kate Heath	Grafton	Splinner	1	
"	"	Mabel N. Greeley	East Andover	21		At home	Hill	George W. Berry	S. And v'r, Mass	Deceased	1	
"	"	Michael M. Schwartz	Franklin	56		Dyer	Denmark	Annette A. Dodge	Springfield, Vt.	Fanner	1	Rev. J. D. LeGro, Bristol
"	"	Jennie M. Gordon	"	38		Dressmaker	Halifax, N. S.	Frank B. Jenness	Pembroke	Housewife	1	
"	"	Charles Tousner	"	21		Paper maker	Canada	Hannah Fifield	Samborn-ton	Fanner	1	
"	"	Angelina Laroche	"	20		At home	"	Isaac Emmons	Hill	Deceased	1	
"	"							J. L. Collins	Grafton	Fanner	1	Rev. L. W. Phillips, Franklin
"	"							Hannah K. Floyd	Franklin	Housewife	1	
"	"							A. S. Greeley	Salisbury	Fanner	1	
"	"							Mary L. Sargent	Hill	Housewife	2	Rev. T. Whiteside, Franklin
"	"							Matthias Schwartz	Germany	Deceased	2	
"	"							Annie Jacobson	Denmark	"	2	
"	"							John Mason	"	"	2	
"	"							Amelia Ogilvie	Halifax, N. S.	"	1	
"	"							Joseph Tousner	Canada	Laborer	1	Rev. A. J. Timon, Franklin
"	"							Alice Tousner	"	Housewife	1	
"	"							Odis Laroche	"	Fanner	1	
"	"							Mary Laroche	"	Deceased	1	

"	24	"	Gideon Herbert	"	20	Mill operative	"	Joseph Herbert	"	1	Retired	Rev. A. J. Timon, Franklin
"	"	"	Mary Prox	"	17	"	"	Anna Thibodeau	"	1	Housewife	
"	31	"	Joseph Gregoire	"	28	Clerk	Franklin	Louis Prox	"	1	Retired	
Sept. 2	"	"	Corinne Perreault	"	29	At home	Canada	Orman Gregoire	"	1	Housewife	Rev. A. J. Timon, Franklin
"	"	"	Patrick Duffy	"	42	Carder	Hinsdale	Fidele Perreault	"	1	Housekeeper	
"	"	"	Ellen Cunningham	"	29	Mill operative	Franklin	Justine Stetin	"	1	Deceased	
"	3	"	Ernest G. Wells	"	21	Driver	Chelsea, Mass.	Patrick Duffy	Ireland	1	"	Rev. A. J. Timon, Franklin
"	6	"	Mary B. Durham	"	19	At home	England	Susan Cavanaugh	"	1	"	
"	"	"	John J. Mullholland	Marblehead, Mass.	25	Brakenan	New Brunswick	John Cunningham	"	1	"	
"	12	Wilmot	Ethel M. Dana	Franklin	21	Stenographer	Franklin	Marie Sullivan	"	1	Laundryman	Rev. G. L. Lowell, Franklin
"	"	"	Reverdy J. Bennett	"	27	Needle maker	Dannd, Ill.	John G. Wells	Sanbornton	1	Housewife	
"	"	"	Rose M. Sweatt	"	18	"	Hill	Lizzie H. Bond	Concord	1	Waitman	
"	16	Franklin	D. J. Loughrea	West Lebanon	23	Baggage m'str	St. Patrick, P. Q.	Squire Durham	England	1	Housewife	
Oct. 6	"	"	Elizabeth Maloney	Franklin	18	At home	Franklin	Betsy A. Buttrw'gh	"	1	Trader	
"	"	"	Ernest L. Griffin	"	26	Machinist	"	James Mullholland	"	1	Housewife	Rev. A. J. Timon, Franklin
"	20	"	Ellen V. Stewart	"	24	At home	"	Della Cullnan	"	1	Housewife	
"	"	"	Eugene Routhier	"	24	Mason	Canada	Peter Dana	"	1	Stonecutter	
"	24	Manchester	George W. Cogswell	"	32	Needle maker	Racine, Wis.	Sarah Snow	"	1	Housewife	
"	"	"	Mildred E. Beard	Manchester	22	At home	Reeds Ferry	E. B. Bennett	"	1	Deceased	
								Lucinda Stickney	"	1	Housewife	Rev. G. B. Tewksbury, Wilmot
								Il. C. Sweatt	Grafton	1	Farmer	
								Abbie E. Littlefield	Hill	1	Housewife	
								Owen Loughrea	Danbury	1	Mill man	
								Anna Houghey	Ireland	1	Housewife	Rev. A. J. Timon, Franklin
								John Maloney	St. Patrick, P. Q.	1	Mill operative	
								Mary Garrity	Franklin	1	Housewife	
								George W. Griffin	Lisbon	1	Manufacturer	
								Addie M. Burgess	Sebec, Me.	1	Housewife	Rev. F. S. Elder, Franklin
								Ellen N. Vaughn	"	1	Deceased	
								Francis Routhier	Hanover	1	Housewife	
								Leonore Marquette	Canada	1	Farmer	Rev. A. J. Timon, Franklin
								Abraham Delisle	"	1	Housewife	
								Sophie Twombly	"	1	Carpenter	
								Alex. N. Cogswell	Racine, Wis.	2	Retired	
								Eristachia Connor	Cato, N. Y.	1	Deceased	Rev. N. L. Colby, Manchester
								C. C. Beard	Mason	1	Carpenter	
								Delora S. Bailey	Stewartstown	1	Housewife	

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Oct. 24	Franklin	Thomas J. Odum	Franklin	20		Carpenter	Canada	C. C. Odum	Colechester Canada	Carpenter	1	Rev. G. L. Lowell, Franklin
		Mabel L. Hodge	"	26		Dressmaker	Lawrence, Mass.	Emma Graham	Scotland	Housewife	1	
" 26	"	Benj. F. Kimball	"	40		Carpenter	Hebron	David Hodge Melinda McKee	Vermont	"	2	
		Lizzie L. Tandy	"	43		Housekeeper		Jacob D. Kimball Sarah P. Green	Plymouth	Retired	2	Rev. T. Whiteside Franklin
" 29	"	Patrick Walsh	"	29		Laborer	Ireland	—	—	Deceased		
		Annie Coyne	"	24		Domestic	"	Patrick Walsh Bridget Walsh	Ireland	Farmer	1	Rev. A. J. Timon, Franklin
" 31	"	Charles H. Heath	"	21		Machinist	Manchester	Patrick Coyne Mary Foley	"	Deceased	1	
		Myrtle B. Lord	"	18	All white	Mill operative	Concord	Joseph H. Heath Phoebe L. Squires	Franklin	Housewife	1	Rev. J. H. Bliss, Franklin
Nov. 4	"	Oscar J. Eastman	"	38		Livery	Norwich, Vt.	Abner Lord	—	Deceased	1	Rev. G. L. Lowell, Franklin
		Annie E. West	"	29		Domestic	England	Harriet Aldrich Nelson J. Eastman	Bamstron, P.Q.	Housewife	1	
" 7	"	Joseph N. Boucher	"	24		Mill operative	Canada	Susan R. Simonds Jonathan West	Norwich, Vt.	Deceased	1	
		Fannie M. Batchelder	"	35		"	Winthrop, Me.	Emma L. Russ Louis Boucher	England	"	1	
" 12	"	Thomas W. Roach	Tilton	22		Blacksmith	Ireland	Josephine Martell Geo. A. Batchelder	Canada	Housewife	1	Rev. A. J. Timon, Franklin
		Agnes M. Peabody	Franklin	18		At home	Franklin	Mary J. Thompson John Roach	"	Deceased	1	
								Bridget Connors Eben G. Peabody	Ireland	Housewife	1	Rev. A. J. Timon, Franklin
								Mary Carr	Manchester	Clerk	1	

"	12	"	John D. Danforth	"	48	Needle maker	Danbury	Timothy Danforth Sally Dickerson	Danbury Hill	"	3	Rev. G. L. Lowell, Franklin
"	"	"	Nellie E. Giddings	"	26	"	Au Sable Chasim, N. Y.	Otis Giddings	Canada	Builder Deceased	1	
"	12	"	Leonard A. Gordon	"	45	Machinist	Vershire, Vt.	Martha Upson	Burlington, Vt.	Farmer	2	Rev. J. W. Phillips, Franklin
"	13	"	Nellie E. Greenlaw	"	27	At home	So. Deer Isle, Me.	Alonzo Gordon	Sanborn	Housewife Deceased	2	
"	"	"	Ira Jackson	"	23	Druggist	Bradford	Abigail C. Cayer	Castine, Me.	"	1	Rev. L. W. Phillips, Franklin
"	25	Tilton	Ada Phillips	"	20	At home	New London	Edmund Clark	S. Deer Isle, Me.	"	1	
"	"	"	Harry P. Sanborn	"	20	Teamster	Franklin	Emma Nichols	Woodstock, Vt.	Clergyman	1	Rev. L. W. Phillips, Franklin
"	26	Lowell, Mass.	Edith Evans	"	23	Mill operative	Sanborn	L. W. Phillips	Warren	Housewife	1	Rev. R. Sanderson, Tilton
"	"	"	Herman W. Shaw	"	24	Book-keeper	Salisbury	Proctor E. Sanborn	Franklin	Carpenter	2	
Dec. 24	Franklin	"	Carrie L. Jackson	Lowell, Mass.	25	Milliner	Danbury	Clara Sanborn	"	Deceased	1	Rev. S. M. Dick, Lowell
"	"	"	Arthur N. Chase	Warner	23	Carpenter	Warner	— Merrill	"	Deceased	1	
"	25	"	Edith F. Edmunds	Franklin	20	At home	Franklin	Clara B. Merrill	Salisbury	Housewife	1	Rev. T. Whiteside, Franklin
"	"	"	Herbert E. Piper	"	19	Needle maker	Meredith	Elbridge G. Shaw	Northfield	Merchant	1	
"	26	Tilton	Catherine E. Scullane	"	22	"	Ireland	Ann L. Evans	Danbury	Housewife	1	Rev. A. J. Timon, Franklin
"	"	"	Forest Tute	"	25	Teamster	Coventry, Vt.	G. H. Jackson	"	Deceased	1	
"	"	"	Winnifred Allen	"	20	Mill operative	Canada	Loretta L. Currier	"	Housewife	1	Rev. R. Sanderson, Tilton
								Willard Chase	Contoocook	Deceased		
								Sarah Roberts	Salisbury	Housewife		
								Frank M. Edmunds	Chichester	Merchant		
								Mary Scribner	Salisbury	Housewife		
								David A. Piper	Meredith	Stonecutter		
								Mary E. Bruce	Plymouth	Housewife		
								John Scullane	Ireland	Deceased		
								Mary Casey	"	Housewife		
								Orrin Tute	Newport Vt.	R. R. employe		
								Didane Judd	Fairfield, Vt.	Housewife		
								John L. Allen	—	Laborer		
								— Percy	Vermont	Housewife		

BIRTHS.

Date of Birth.	Name of Child, (if any).	Sex and Condition.			Name of Father.	Maiden Name of Mother.	Color.	Residence.	Occupation of Father.	Birthplace of Father.	Birthplace of Mother.	Age
		Male.	Female.	Living or Stillborn.	No. of Child, 1st, 2d &c							Father
1896												
Jan.		Male	Female	Living	3	Scott Dudley	Viola E Clark	Laborer		Danbury	Orange	28
"	Robert Douglass	"	"	"	1	John B. Pearsons	Mary B. Ayer	"		Salisbury	Scotland	23
Feb.		"	"	Stillborn	7	Fred Naud	Ella Young	"		Canada	Canada	23
"		"	"	Living	8	John Paige	Annie Ralph	Carpenter		Orfordville	Franklin	38
"		"	"	"	2	F. H. Derby	Maudie L. Haile	Electrician		Clifton, P. Q.	Pepperill, Mass.	44
"		"	"	"	2	Albert F. Hardy	Emma F. Fitz	Laborer		P. Q.	Webster	34
"		"	"	"	2	James Montgomery	Lizzie M. Larvea	Hostler		U. S.	Canada	29
"		"	"	"	2	Charles Emmons	Cordeila Leslaire	Needle maker		U. S.	Canada	26
"	Nellie May	"	"	"	2	Albert W. Duckworth	Frances C. Beckman	Machinist		Clinton, Mass.	Franklin	28
"		"	"	"	1	Frank E. Smith	Mabel E. Veazey	Laborer		Canada	Hill	24
"		"	"	"	2	Benjamin Herbert	Lelia Renarill	Carpenter		U. S.	Canada	24
"	Henry Edward	"	"	"	8	James McDonald	Mary Carey	Overseer		U. S.	U. S.	31
"	Mary Grace	"	"	"	1	Scott R. Kelley	Cora B. Smith	Carpenter		Salisbury	Beverly, Mass.	31
"		"	"	"	3	Adelard Dion	Marie Bussion	Machinist		Canada	Canada	28
"	Aimee	"	"	"	2	Samuel B. Chase	Emma C. Randall	Physician		Laconia	Canada	36
"		"	"	"	5	L. R. Perreault	Mary Garneau	Machinist		Franklin	U. S.	34
"	Mary Ann	"	"	"	3	Harry W. Burleigh	Marie Burley	Electrician		Burlington	Newmarket	31
March		"	"	"	4	Peter Collins	Cora L. Hancock	Machinist		Canada	Boscawen	28
"		"	"	"	1	Joseph Therreault	Dina Turquoise	Mill operative		Sanbornton	Canada	35
"		"	"	"	4	Freeman B. Elliott	Celia B. Durgin	Laborer		Norwich, Vt.	Franklin	24
"	Exilda	"	"	"	2	Nelson P. Sargent	Hannah Asbury	Needle maker		England	Canada	35
"		"	"	"	9	Joseph Newton	Annie M. Smith	Paper maker		"	England	40
"		"	"	"	3	John A. Bennett	Winnie B. Cate	Machinist		Canada	Suncook	30
"		"	"	"	1	Delphis Turquoise	Emma Bergeson	Machinist		Canada	Canada	26
April	Delphis	"	"	Stillborn	8	Michael Keating	Mary Tobin	Laborer		U. S.	Ireland	38
"	Annie	"	"	Living	3	Wilford Lasante	Darida Gauthier	Dresser		U. S.	Canada	37
"		"	"	"	1	Amos F. Cloutier	Eleanora Bechellow	Mill operative		"	"	30
"	Valeda	"	"	"	9	John Dever	Sarah Dorval	Paper maker		"	"	24
"		"	"	"	1	John W. Marshall	Grace W. Ricker	Laborer		U. S.	Canada	24
"		"	"	"	2	Edward A. Cross	Addie L. Stuart	Farmer		U. S.	Lebanon, Me.	24
"		"	"	Stillborn	3	Arthur Fielders	Lizzie S. Harvey	Watchman		Newport	Danbury	35
"		"	"	Living	3			Farmer		Franklin	Canada	33
"		"	"	"	2			Needle maker		New York city		24

May	4	Alexis L.	Living	7	William W. Ruchanan	Emma Butterworth	Spinner	Danvers, Mass.	England	39 41
"	4	"	"	2	Ira M. Hanson	Alice L. Clark	Carpenter	Lincoln	Campton	37 31
"	5	"	"	4	Henry Beauchesne	Delphire Marchand	Laborer	Canada	Canada	38 31
"	5	"	"	4	Dell P. Fifield	Sally Watts	Stable keeper	Enfield	Philadelphia, Pa.	28 27
"	10	"	"	2	Louis Riel	Fanny Bloomfield	Laborer	U. S.	Canada	28 21
"	10	"	"	4	Julius Riel	Josephine Marchand	Mill operative	Canada	"	33 29
"	12	"	"	2	Harry F. Davis	Myra L. Connor	Overseer	Franklin	Concord	26 29
"	12	"	"	1	Henry A. Sanborn	Ida M. Sanders	Farmer	Alexandria	Alexandria	49 30
"	12	"	"	2	Alexander Gignac	Emirre Fredette	Laborer	U. S.	Canada	22 18
"	13	"	"	1	Libert R. Johnson	Eva M. Lord	Machinist	Winnot	Woburn, Mass.	26 23
"	20	Gladys B.	"	5	Albert Provencen	Aglaire Gaonette	Mill operative	Canada	"	34 31
"	21	"	"	1	Pierre Laforge	Marie Pilmeneoe	Laborer	"	"	28 22
"	23	"	"	3	George H. Bythrow	Carrie M. Decato	Mill operative	Gardner, Mass.	Canaan	28 23
"	24	"	"	2	Charles W. Walker	Addie A. Root	Paper maker	P. Q.	Johnson, Vt.	26 24
"	27	"	"	1	Edward Dwyer	Nora Carroll	Mill operative	Canaan	Ireland	22 25
June	30	"	"	4	Louis Dounphinet	Bridget Baker	"	Canada	Canada	37 34
"	4	"	"	4	John Gignac	Linna Dargis	Paper maker	"	U. S.	28 27
"	7	"	"	4	Francis Tessier	Alida Tousignant	Mill operative	"	"	23 24
"	15	"	"	7	Marshall A. Scott	Emma E. Bennett	"	Franklin	Gilmanton	33 36
"	22	"	"	6	Winfield F. Seaborn	Lillian M. Harvey	Needle maker	Houlton, Me.	Houlton, Me.	26 21
"	24	"	"	1	Henry Garant	Annie O'Connor	Mill operative	P. Q.	Amesbury, Mass.	28 30
July	4	"	"	4	Joseph Henaire	Rosalie Franchette	Laborer	Canada	Canada	42 30
"	5	"	"	6	Charles L. Eddy	E. Grace Bullock	Druggist	Franklin	Alexandria	29 27
"	6	"	"	1	Gilbert S. Merrill	Maggie Carroll	Paper maker	Franklin	Ireland	50 34
"	11	"	"	7	Charles W. Thompson	Blanche M. Enos	Machinist	Cumberland, Me.	Ireland	29 34
"	12	"	"	1	Henry P. Burke	Martha C. Kean	Laborer	Franklin	Covenry, Vt.	28 21
"	12	"	"	6	Frank S. Kimball	Lottie A. Keniston	Butcher	Concord	Scotland	22 24
"	14	"	"	1	Ernest Schwartz	Laura Hanson	Mill operative	Bradford	Winnot	43 41
"	18	Yoonne	"	2	Herbert Bergeron	Margaret Pettit	Laborer	Denmark	Denmark	32 27
"	18	Yoonne	"	11	Gideon Rivard	Lebel	Mill operative	Canada	Canada	47 42
"	19	Yoonne	"	1	Thomas Colby	Lilly A. Wise	Mill operative	"	"	29 24
"	20	"	"	4	Frederick J. Colby	Lullie E. Penmanian	Machinist	Enfield	Enfield	32 30
"	22	"	"	1	Willis E. Brooks	Mary A. Dow	"	Boston, Mass.	Franklin	22 20
"	25	"	"	1	David Cushing	Mary Connors	Carpenter	Canada	Tilton	27 21
Aug.	4	David	"	8	George D. Mayo	Jennie L. Davis	Mill operative	Ireland	Ireland	40 39
"	7	"	"	2	John F. Miller	Matilda Burnham	Manufacturer	Orrington, Me.	Franklin	45 32
"	15	"	"	4	George H. Stubbard	Mary Short	Laborer	Germany	Canada	33 23
"	16	"	"	1	Thomas L. Tague	Lillian A. Root	Caterer	Cape Breton	Canada	36 29
"	17	"	"	3	Dennis Duffy	Belle Daniels	Fireman	Bakersfield, Vt.	Newfoundland	35 26
"	19	"	"	4	Napoleon Riel	Rosanna Joyal	Overseer	Ireland	Johnson, Vt.	48 39
"	23	"	"	2	Athanasie Bergeron	Hemora Jarshland	Baker	U. S.	Hopkinton	26 25
"	25	"	"	1	Leroy R. Thompson	Sarah J. Fawdrey	Laborer	Canada	U. S.	26 25
"	26	"	"	1	"	"	Butcher	Kingsfield, Me.	Canada	22 23
"	26	"	"	2	"	"	"	"	Littleton	42 38

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		Living or Stillborn.		No. of Child, 1st, 2d &c	Color.									
		Male.	Female.											
Aug.	28	Male	Living	9	Edwin J. Fletcher	Mary P. Sias	All white	All of Franklin	Butcher	N. Chelmsford, Mass.	Waukesha, Wis.	44	40	
"	31	"	"	2	Br'd'ry M. Prescott, Jr	Bertha M. Cheney	"	"	Watchman	Franklin	Bristol	23	21	
Sept.	3	Female	"	3	Harry L. Short	Addie Campbell	"	"	"	"	U. S.	"	26	26
"	4	"	"	3	Noah E. Lund	Lucy C. Follansbee	"	"	"	"	Danbury	"	24	23
"	4	"	"	3	James Sargent	Lilla Prehle	"	"	"	"	U. S.	"	24	23
"	6	"	"	9	John Connor	Margaret T. Sheehan	"	"	"	"	Franklin	"	43	40
"	16	"	"	5	Charles H. Nichols	Alice M. Harvey	"	"	"	"	Franklin	P. Q.	36	32
"	18	"	"	4	John J. Cushing	Mary A. Maher	"	"	"	"	Ireland	"	31	30
"	19	"	"	4	James E. Laughy	Mary B. Macparren	"	"	"	"	North, N. B.	St. Johns, N. B.	31	28
"	30	"	"	2	Frank R. Bergeron	Bertha C. Decato	"	"	"	"	Harrisville, Mass.	Canada	23	21
Oct.	1	"	"	2	Stanislaus Provencher	Alice Marcot	"	"	"	"	Canada	"	24	22
"	1	"	"	1	George R. Kempl	Hattie B. Bartch	"	"	"	"	Stockbridge, Mass.	Brookdale, N. Y.	29	30
"	10	"	"	4	Onesimi Vizina	Mary Smith	"	"	"	"	Canada	"	41	29
"	11	"	"	3	Clarence F. Edmunds	Jennie L. Lowell	"	"	"	"	Northwood	East Weare	26	26
"	11	"	"	5	Oliver Sorrette	Louise Lanylers	"	"	"	"	Canada	Salisbury	30	35
"	12	"	"	2	John W. Murray	Hattie Kelley	"	"	"	"	Lynn, Mass.	"	43	35
"	15	"	"	3	George Beachand	Lea Turgeon	"	"	"	"	Canada	"	38	21
"	20	"	"	4	Edward A. Pike	Ida T. Smith	"	"	"	"	Franklin	"	24	23
"	23	"	"	2	Hector E. Moore	Florence M. Forbush	"	"	"	"	Canada	"	25	23
"	25	"	"	2	George E. Ash	Alice M. Ober	"	"	"	"	New York	"	25	23
"	30	Elmore Ingalls	"	1	Edward G. Royder	Ella M. Wallace	"	"	"	"	Franklin	"	49	40
Nov.	1	"	Stillborn	5	Joseph B. L. Smith	Jennie Pickett	"	"	"	"	Bristol	Holmes Holl'w, Vt	52	35
"	2	"	Living	1	George W. Berry	Josephine M. Danforth	"	"	"	"	N. Andover, Mass.	Billerica, Mass.	25	22
"	4	"	"	2	Joseph E. Haynes	Sadie E. McDonald	"	"	"	"	Franklin	S. Thomaston, Me.	30	30
"	7	"	"	3	John J. Shea	Mary A. Rouse	"	"	"	"	Holliston, Mass.	Franklin	23	19
"	8	"	"	2	J. W. Kennedy	Annie E. Schlesinger	"	"	"	"	Franklin	"	28	28
"	9	Frank A.	"	1	Charles A. Butler	Fannie T. Riley	"	"	"	"	England	"	29	22
"	18	"	"	3	Frank Defosses	Agnes Henaire	"	"	"	"	Canada	"	35	30
"	18	"	"	3	Dominus Larue	Victoria Charette	"	"	"	"	"	"	37	29
"	21	"	"	6	Charles W. Bartlett	Georgie A. Short	"	"	"	"	Kingston	Sherbrooke, P. Q.	28	26
"	22	"	"	3	William Cobbett	Della Cobbett	"	"	"	"	U. S.	U. S.	25	24
"	22	"	"	2	Charles Doughtinett	Mary Belmore	"	"	"	"	"	"	25	30
"	24	"	"	6	Ovila Gauthier	Melina Fredette	"	"	"	"	Canada	"	25	30

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DEATHS.

Date of Death	Place of Death	Name and Surname of the Deceased.	Age		Place of Birth.	Sex, Condit'n			Occupation	Place of Birth.		Name of Father.	Maiden Name of Mother.	Cause of Death.
			Years	Months	Days	Male.	Female.	Color.		Father.	Mother.			
1896														
Jan. 9		Rosa Wisner	79	7	24	F		Wid.	Housewife	Pembroke	Pembroke	Peter Frazer	Judith McCathron	A poplexy follow- ing bronchitis
" 13		Betsy L. Ingalls	87	2	2	M		Wid.	Farmer	Canada	Canada	John Aver	Marie Brunel	Cerebral hemorrhage
" 13		Lammedie Turquoise	85	5	12	"				Northfield, Vt.	Andover	Pierre Turquoise	Betsy Sawyer	Heart disease
" 14		Betsy S. French	61	6	26	"			Housewife	Dumbarton	Stanstead, P.Q.	James Simonds	Olive M. Shannon	Pneumonia
" 20		Ella W. Slack	22	6	36	M		M	Farmer	Barton, Vt.	Pr'sfield, Me	William J. Colby	Susan Perry	Septicæmia
" 29		Abner Lord	64	7	10	"		M		Canada	Canada	Josiah Lord		Uraemia
" 30		Judith Heath	61	1	1	"		M		"	"		Mary Willett	Bright's disease
" 30		Mary Chamberlain	1	1	2	"				"	"	Anthony Chamb'r'n	Agnes Henaire	Convulsions
" 30		William Desfosls	1	1	2	"				"	"	Frank Desfosls	Ella J. Young	Pneumonia
Feb. 1		Yoonne Renouf	6	19		"				"	U. S.	Fred Nand	Heloise Patineaud	Stillborn
" 1		John Collins	85	6	19	"		Wid.	Retired	Northfield	Northfield	Benjamin Collins		Convulsions
" 6		Mark J. Leavenworth	68	1	28	"		M	"	New Haven, Ct.	"	Jesse Leavenworth	Martha Morrill	Pneumonia
" 8		Emma P. Hardy	29	7	27	"		M	"	Salisbury	Webster	Cyrus Fitz	Elizabeth B. Corser	Malaria poisoning
" 24		Mannah K. F. Collins	59	11	21	"		M	Housewife	Warner	Warner	Amos Floyd	Lavina Sawyer	Cancer of Uterus
Mar. 4		Asenath Prescott	89	7	7	"		Wid.	"	Franklin	Sambornton	Levi Thompson	Sally Thompson	Tuberculosis
" 14		Basilie Picer	89	7	7	"		"	Laborer	Canada	Canada	Thomas Piger	Esther Desjardins	Cerebral hemorrhage
" 19		Delinee Besette	45			"		"	Housewife	"	"	Joseph Chartier	Sophranie Leslaire	Heart disease
" 23		Ellen Murrill	22			"		"	Housekeeper	Ireland	Ireland	Jeremiah Murrill	Ellen Sullivan	Puerperal fever
" 26		Earl're B. Harrison	52	5	26	"		S	"	Manchester	Newport, Vt.	Paul C. Harrison	Ora Burton	Typhoid mening's
Apr. 4		Susan W. Stone	75	6	4	"		S	Milliner	Cornish	New Mill rd, Ct	Chester Stone	Amie Whitdesy	Ac'te'dy'cephal's
" 5		Delphis Turquoise	43	3	20	"		M	"	Canada	Canada	Delphis Turquoise	Emma Bergeron	Cerebral hemorrhage
" 7		David Enos	62	3	20	"		Wid.	"	"	"	D. Enos	Amie Channette	Cancer of liver
" 21		Gustine Clifford	62			"		"	Blacksmith	Alexandria	Alexandria	Hiram Clifford	Mary Somes	Cerebral hemorrhage
" 24		Marshall	62			"		"	Housekeeper	Newport	Lebanon, Me.	John W. Marshall	Grace W. Ricker	Stillborn
" 30		Julia Fitzgerald	62	5		"		"	"	Ireland	Ireland	P'trick O'mingh'm	Norah Sullivan	La grippe
May 4		Robert T. Lynch	9	9		"		"	"	Glendale, R. I.	Blackst'ne, M's	Thomas Roach	Nora Hilberry	Leucocy themisia
" 13		Mary T. Lynch	9	9		"		"	"	"	Blackst'ne, M's	John Lynch	M'ry A. O'mingh'm	Bright's disease
" 13		Rodolphe Perreault	8	7		"		"	"	Canada	U. S.	Auguste Perreault	Phoebe Gregoire	Moningitis

Age	Sex	Place of Birth	Profession	Marital Status	Religion	Education	Health	Notes
" 15	"	Hector Gignac	—	—	"	"	"	"
" 25	"	Viola Beane	Housekeeper	Wid.	"	"	"	"
" 26	"	Louisa F. Black	Housekeeper	Wid.	"	"	"	"
June 1	"	Herbert Learnerd	—	—	"	"	"	"
" 6	"	Gertrude Painsonn't	—	—	"	"	"	"
" 7	"	Aaron Woodman	Tel. operator	M	"	"	"	"
" 10	"	Elizabeth Russell	Retired Laborer	Wid.	"	"	"	"
" 20	"	Homer V. N. Smith	Farmer	M	"	"	"	"
" 28	"	Thomas Carr	—	—	"	"	"	"
July 2	"	Mildred Dickinson	—	—	"	"	"	"
" 8	"	Morris P. Carroll	—	—	"	"	"	"
" 11	"	John B. Henaire	—	—	"	"	"	"
" 13	"	Alberta M. Hawkins	Housewife	M	"	"	"	"
" 26	"	Brooks	Shoemaker	Wid.	"	"	"	"
Aug. 8	"	Charles S. Sleeper	—	—	"	"	"	"
" 8	"	Alexis L. Buchanan	—	—	"	"	"	"
" 15	"	Laura Lachance	—	—	"	"	"	"
" 18	"	Robert L. Craunston	—	—	"	"	"	"
" 20	"	Hugh Doherty	Mill operative	Wid.	"	"	"	"
" 20	"	Alice B. Gerrish	—	—	"	"	"	"
" 24	"	Eli D. Clough	Clergyman	Wid.	"	"	"	"
" 31	"	Addie E. Dunham	Housekeeper	M	"	"	"	"
" 31	"	Daniel Mitchell	Stonecutter	—	"	"	"	"
Sept. 1	"	Prescott	—	—	"	"	"	"
" 1	"	Lea Richard	—	—	"	"	"	"
" 4	"	Sarah Hutchins	Housekeeper	Wid.	"	"	"	"
" 4	"	James Taylor	Retired	M	"	"	"	"
" 7	"	John W. Ferguson	Laborer	—	"	"	"	"
" 7	"	Rene Bergeron	Farmer	Wid.	"	"	"	"
" 10	"	David L. Clifford	—	M	"	"	"	"
" 18	"	John M. Watts	—	S	"	"	"	"
" 21	"	Olena M. Dole	Housekeeper	—	"	"	"	"
Oct. 14	"	Myron M. Colby	—	Wid.	"	"	"	"
" 20	"	William B. Bent	Moulder	Wid. S	"	"	"	"
" 22	"	William E. Hill	—	—	"	"	"	"
" 30	"	Royder	—	—	"	"	"	"

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				Years	Months			Male.	Female.		Color.	Single.				Married.	Widowed.	Father.	Mother.
Nov. 2	—	— Smith	60	8 23	Bradford, Eng.	M	"	—	—	—	Bristol England	Holmes Hollow England	Jos. B. L. Smith	Jennie Pickett	Stillborn				
" 9	—	Ellen Stolorthy	23	9 28	Bolton, P. Q.	"	"	M	—	Housekeeper	Bolton, P. Q.	Royalton, Vt.	William Hillard	Mary Rawson	Inf'stinal obstruc'n				
" 11	—	Fred E. Young	44	5 6	Winchester	"	"	M	—	Laborer	Winchester	Hinsdale	Paul Young	Martha Fuller	Phthisis				
" 19	—	Alice M. Call	22	11 3	Enfield	"	"	S	—	Teacher	Lebanon	—	Elisha Hammon	Mary L. Evans	Cancer				
" 21	—	Lonia A. Kilbhall	86	6	Northfield	"	"	Wid.	—	Needle maker	—	—	Wm. T. Kimball	Martha A. Clark	Typhoid fever				
" 23	—	Sarah Collins	80	11 17	Boscawen	"	"	Wid.	—	Housekeeper	—	—	James Dearborn	—	Old age				
" 26	—	Caroline Thompson	18	8 30	Franklin	"	"	S	—	Retired	—	—	Samuel Jackson	Hannah Flanders	Pneumonia et Ne-				
Dec. 3	—	Fred H. Hancock	37	5	Canada	"	"	M	—	Carpenter	Franklin Canada	Andover Canada	John Hancock	Martha B. Woodbury	pneumonia				
" 11	—	Joseph Beachline	45	9	Massachusetts	"	"	M	—	—	—	—	Elmer Beachline	Matilda Anger	Drowning				
" 15	—	Marcella B. Bailey	60		—	"	"	M	—	—	—	—	George S. Bailey	Mehitable Farren	Pulmonary phthisis				
" 23	—	Mary A. Keyser	27		Franklin	"	"	M	—	Retired	—	—	Alfred Hannaford	Lurania Smith	Organic diseases of heart				
" 25	—	— Lindsay	27		Italy	"	"	—	—	—	—	—	Unknown	Lucy G. Lindsay	Uraemic coma				
" 27	—	Domenica Margie	23		Lakeport	"	"	M	—	Merchant	Italy	Italy	John Margie	Angie Denotti	Heart disease				
" 28	—	A. M. B. Flanders	23		—	"	"	M	—	Housewife	Andover, Mass	Springfield, Vt.	George W. Berry	Nett A. Dodge	Typhoid fever				
" 29	—	—	23		—	"	"	M	—	—	—	—	—	—	Uraemic convul-				

Total number of Marriages, 54; Births, 116; Deaths, 79.

I hereby certify that the foregoing returns are correct, according to the best of my knowledge and belief.

IRVING V. GOSS, City Clerk.



